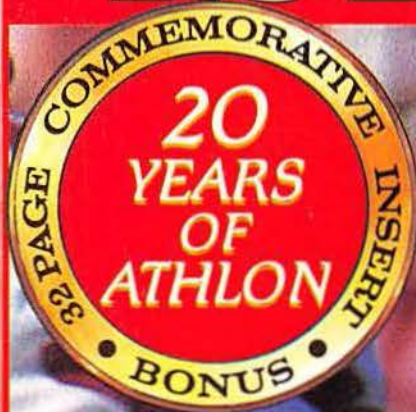


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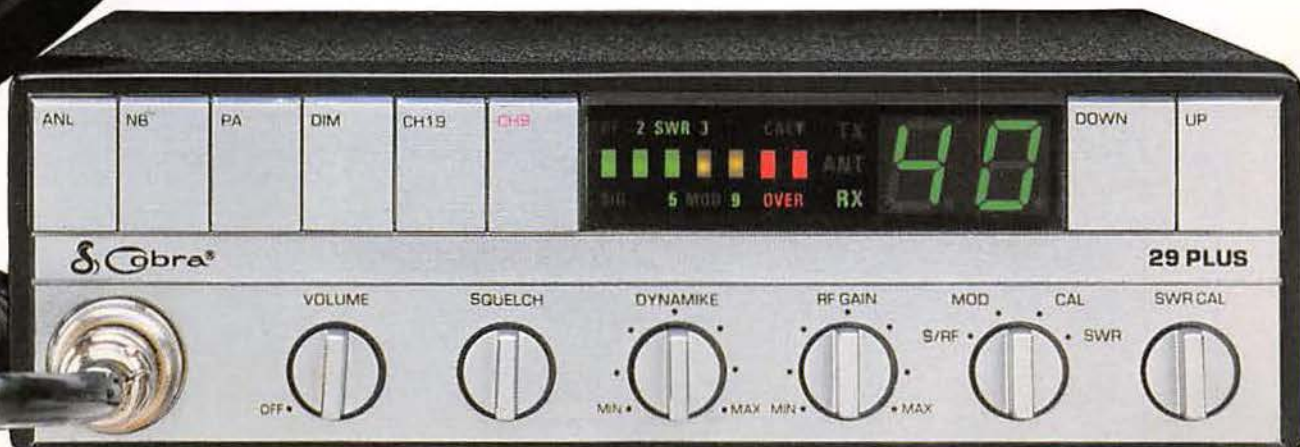
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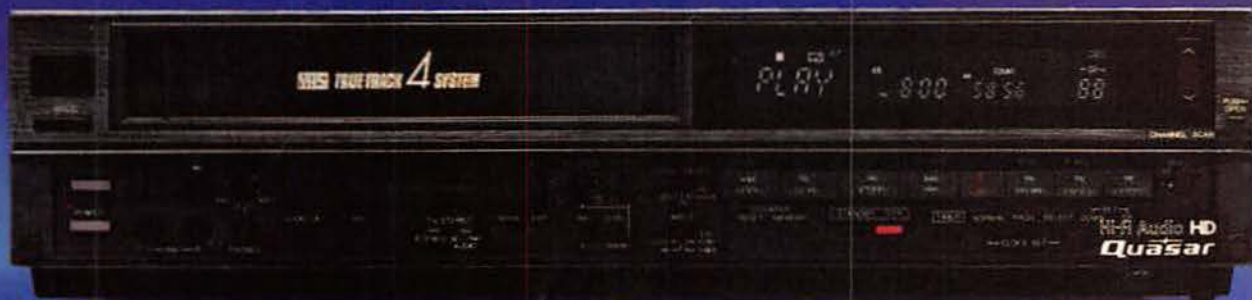
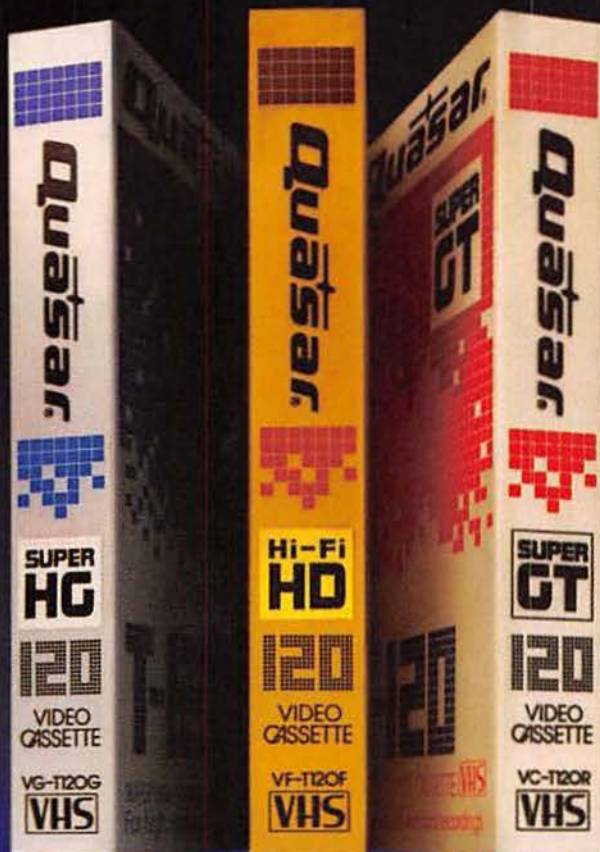
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Letter from the Publisher

Athlon... the first 20 years! Two decades have gone by since our first issue rolled off the press. In that time our writers and photographers have covered collegiate football with professional expertise that few, if any, publications can match. We have looked forward to producing the 1986 annual for many reasons. We felt that a special insert, showcasing the very best of our work, was imperative. Deciding which few to reprint was difficult. However, our staff has put together a quality collection of stories and photographs.

"Twenty Years of Athlon" follows page 120.

It was important to me that this issue contain the most entertaining features and photographs we've ever assembled in one magazine. I think we've done just that.

Joe Falls leads off with a delightful piece on Bo Schembechler, the dean of Big Ten coaches. "Bo: Football Over Family Is No Longer the Case With Michigan Coach" begins on page 23. "The Show in the Stands" by Chris Dufresne showcases the timeless art of card stunts on page 26.

In the late 1960s, Darrell Royal of Texas set the tone for offense for more than a decade with an odd-looking formation called the wishbone. It became the rage of college football until the passing game emerged again. But now it has come back. Several very successful teams, including Oklahoma, 1985 national champion, are bulldozing opponents with the "bone." Mike Babcock's timely feature, "The Wishbone Is In Again," begins on page 54.

On page 75 "The Last Horseman" by Fred Russell looks back on Notre Dame's famous backfield and Jim Crowley, the last survivor who died in January.

My national predictions begin on page 87. Last year *Athlon* predicted that Oklahoma would win the collegiate national championship and (in our pro magazine) that the Chicago Bears would win the Super Bowl... ahem.

A resurgence of respect for service academy football is the theme of Bob Oates Jr.'s "Back to the Big Time," starting on page 93. Herschel Nissenson's annual top-players-of-the-year story, "A Galaxy of Talent," opens on page 95.



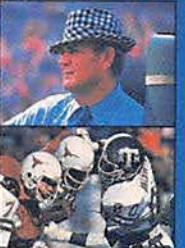
Few rivalries can match the color, tradition, excitement and outrageous shenanigans of Texas A&M vs. Texas. Galyn Wilkins chronicles Texas' most heated football rivalry beginning on page 101.

"How Much Football Do You Know?" is the title of historian/author Tim Cohane's crossword puzzle on page 106. It'll test your knowledge. And starting on page 122, his "Much Ado About Nothing to Nothing" is his anecdote-rich story describing the three consecutive 0-0 ties between Pitt and Fordham. Cohane was well-equipped to do this piece. He was Fordham's sports information director when the games were played.

Should a player with collegiate potential let his father coach him? That's a dilemma dealt with by John Owen in "Pass the Wheaties, Coach" on page 125. Owen interviewed former and present-day coaches, including Bud Wilkinson, Bobby Dodd, Jack Elway and Jim Sweeney.

Something new that we'll continue in the future is our "National Assistant Coach of the Year." The first selection, Tennessee's Ken

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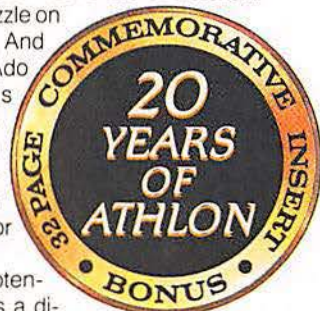
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by Jerry McCoin

What Athlon has done is to bring you the best of college football writing and photography for 20 years. We have selected the best of our work, the best of our writers and photographers, and the best of our readers' favorite pieces. This is a special issue, a commemorative issue, a special issue. It is the best of the best...1967-1986.

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Donahue, molded many championship defenses for the late Bear Bryant at Alabama and now has begun doing the same for Johnny Majors' Volunteers. Ben Byrd takes a look at Donahue, who was a two-way tackle for Bob Neyland at Tennessee in the late 1940s, on page 129.

You can match your tactical knowledge with Fisher DeBerry of Air Force (1985 national Coach of the Year) and Bobby Ross of Maryland in "Kessler's," or "Crown Royal's, You Be The Coach." This annual feature is on page 132.

Recruiting violations, drug scandals and academic cheating have given college football a black eye in recent years. It's time we went about curing those ills. "Cleaning Up a Great Game" by Steve Wieberg on page 141 tells us what the NCAA is doing.

We felt that in this 20th edition we had to go all out with "Honey Watching on a Saturday Afternoon." You be the judge. The parade of pulchritude begins on page 142.

Peter Finney's annual semitechnical piece about the two-minute offense is titled "When Time is Prime." It begins on page 165.

Jay Searcy was curious about the emotions of players in "Their Last Game." It begins on page 177. They aren't as sentimental about it as you might think.

There you have it: with your 1986 magazine, 20 years of Athlon. We hope that you have enjoyed our publications and that you'll continue to enjoy them as much as we delight in bringing them to you.

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Barry Switzer may have found the perfect wishbone quarterback. That would be Jamelle Holieway, of course. The kid from California who, as a freshman last season, quarterbacked Oklahoma's wishbone. Quarterbacked the Sooners to their sixth national championship and Switzer's third.

But what's this? Switzer believes that another quarterback of his, Eric Mitchel from Arkansas, may be closest to the ideal athlete needed to operate the run-oriented wishbone.

Mitchel was also a freshman last year. He played little, but Switzer is so sure of his skills, he says that Holieway and Mitchel may share quarterback duties this season.

That will surprise not only Holieway but also Sooner fans and many others who consider him unmatched in his understanding of the wishbone options and his ability to run the complicated offense of which Oklahoma's version is the Cadillac.

"He doesn't care whether Eric Mitchel can run the 40 in 4.3 and is 6-1, 195. . . . because he's got all the ability in the world."

One thing is sure: Holieway won't give up his job easily.

"He has tremendous confidence in himself," Switzer says of the first player selected All-Big Eight quarterback as a freshman. "He doesn't care whether Eric Mitchel can run the 40 in 4.3 and is 6-1, 195. That doesn't faze Jamelle one bit, because he's got all the ability in the world, and he knows he can do the job."

Holieway, 5-11 and 175 and not as fast as Mitchel, was thrust into the starting role last October when Troy Aikman suffered a fractured ankle in the fourth game. (Aikman said in the spring he planned to transfer.)

Other changes followed.

"We made up our minds we would do what we do best, and that is run the option," says Oklahoma offensive coordinator Jim Donnan.

Holieway started the last seven games of the regular season. Oklahoma won all seven to post a 10-1 record and gain a spot in the Orange Bowl after claiming the Big Eight title for the 10th time in the last 13 years.

He rushed for 861 yards in nine games, becoming the fourth freshman in a row to lead the Sooners in rushing. He was 23rd in the nation, the highest-ranking freshman last season. After he started, Oklahoma went from 65th to 11th in scoring (31.5-point average), 39th to 10th in total offense (427 yards) and ninth to third in rushing (335.8 yards).

Although Holieway played a key role, he wasn't the only reason for the offense's rejuvenation. Current sophomore Anthony Stafford and junior Patrick Collins improved to aid the injury-riddled halfback situation. Sophomore tackle Anthony Phillips (6-3, 274) and junior tackle Mark Hutson (6-4, 280) became guards in the offensive line to counter changing trends in defenses. Junior Greg Johnson (6-4, 303) returned to offensive tackle after an injury. And sophomore Leon Perry was moved from halfback to No. 2 fullback, giving Oklahoma a much-needed 1-2 punch with junior starter Lydell Carr at that demanding spot.

Switzer now says Holieway would have played some anyway, and he was not surprised by his performances.

"When we recruited Jamelle Holieway, everybody mentioned (high school All-Americans) Terrance Jones and Eric Mitchel and Steve Taylor when they talked about the top quarterbacks around the country. But when anybody asked us, we always said Jamelle Holieway would be a great player in our system and would help us immediately. The high school film we had convinced us of that.

"He executed. He awed you with his talent and ability against good competition. I mean, it wasn't Bowlegs or Maud (small Oklahoma towns). He's out there (in the Los Angeles area) going up against class players. In the film we looked at, there were probably 15 who got Pac-10 or other major-college scholarships on the field.

"So I thought he would be an excellent quarterback, and after meeting the kid

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← In a clutch, fullback Lydell Carr is a dependable man the Sooners often call on.

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and visiting with him and talking football and all, I knew he was very intelligent, very poised."

Oklahoma has had several outstanding wishbone quarterbacks. Jack Mildren was the first. He became the first collegiate quarterback to rush for more than 1000 yards in one season when he gained 1,140 yards in 1971. Steve Davis quarterbacked the Sooners to national championships in 1974 and 1975. Thomas Lott quarterbacked Oklahoma to a No. 3 national ranking in 1978. And J. C. Watts quarterbacked the Sooners to No. 3 in 1979 and 1980.

None of them, as freshmen, played regularly or quarterbacked the Sooners to national titles.

"Right now," Switzer says, "Jamelle probably can handle everything we're doing as well as anybody we've had. I doubt if any of the others could have accomplished as a freshman what he did. But that's not really being fair to some of my other quarterbacks, because we had proven talent when they were freshmen. So we didn't get to work with them as we did with Jamelle and Eric."

Holieway and Mitchel shared the third-team quarterback spot when fall practice started. However, No. 2 quarterback Kyle Irvin suffered a season-ending injury in the first scrimmage.

"When I came here, everyone said Eric was supposed to be the best option quarterback in the country," Holieway says in his quiet way. "I always thought I was."

Holieway ran the veer offense at Banning High School in Wilmington, Calif.

"The first time I noticed Jamelle, he was running the scout team in the 10th grade," says his high school coach, Chris Ferragamo. "I told him to throw a pass. He said, 'Coach, do you want me to throw it over the receiver's right shoulder or left shoulder?'"

"The only schools that told me I'd have a chance to make the traveling squad when they were recruiting me were Oklahoma, Colorado and California," Holieway says.

Oklahoma had another recruiting edge. George Cumby, an All-America linebacker at Oklahoma and now a starter for the Green Bay Packers, is his cousin.

"He told me it gets cold in Oklahoma," Holieway says, "but he said there would be no politics. He said if you're the best athlete at your position, you'll play."

"I didn't want redshirt. I said to myself, 'You're going to go that far away from home to be redshirted?' My goal was to come here and make the traveling squad. If I had had to sit around the dorm when the team was out of town, I don't think I could have stood it."

Fortunately for Oklahoma, he was never left behind.

With his ability to execute the option and his quickness on running plays, Holieway helped turn a conservative attack into one of the most effective in the nation.



Brian Bosworth has an All-America rating in a defense that again may be No. 1.

He rushed for more than 100 yards in four games, including a season-high 156 against Missouri and 110 in the Big Eight championship game against Nebraska. He also passed for 168 yards against Missouri, establishing a school total-offense record of 324 yards. Holieway had never heard of Mildren, who set the previous mark of 323 yards against Iowa

State in 1971. But Holieway was only four years old then.

In the Sooners' 25-10 victory over then-No. 1-ranked Penn State in the Orange Bowl, Holieway rushed for only one yard net.

Television commentators during that game kept saying that Penn State had stopped the wishbone. However, they did not recognize

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Darrell Reed stands ready to set an example of how defensive end should be played.



He's the quarterback of the future.
The question is: Is the future now?

Steve Taylor captured the imagination of Nebraska football fans the day they learned the sophomore from Spring Valley, Calif., idolized former Cornhusker Turner Gill.

Taylor was described as "the next Turner Gill" as soon as he signed a letter of intent, long before he ever stepped on campus with a confident stride reminiscent of the three-time All-Big Eight quarterback.

Once Taylor began playing for Nebraska's junior varsity as a freshman last year, comparisons were inevitable.

He looked like Gill and he acted like Gill.

That's why, about midseason, Taylor became a key figure in an ongoing media controversy regarding Nebraska's quarterback situation. It may continue this fall.

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McCathorn Clayton, a junior from Orlando, Fla., is the other principal.

Clayton arrived with nearly as much hype as Taylor. Michigan told him that if he became a Wolverine, he'd probably spend a season as backup, then earn the starting job.

Alabama recruited him and so, among others, did Ohio State. Nebraska promised only that he'd be given the same opportunity as the other scholarship quarterbacks in his recruiting class: Clete Blakeman, Hendley Hawkins and Jeff Taylor.

Blakeman remains in the picture at quarterback. Hawkins has switched to split end and Taylor has turned his attention to baseball.

Clayton, 6-0 and 195, is slightly bigger and stronger than Steve Taylor, who is listed at 6-0, 190, but may be smaller. Clayton is probably the strongest quarterback in Cornhusker history.

Until Taylor arrived, Clayton held Nebraska quarterback records for strength and speed. But Taylor is faster. He's been electronically timed in 4.54 seconds in the 40.

"Steve's got the edge by a step," Coach Tom Osborne says. "He has the ability to make the big play."

Clayton has the advantage in experience. He started all but two games last season and proved he's a winner, though apparently not a passer. He completed only 28 of 78 passes (35.9 percent) for 602 yards and three touchdowns and had seven interceptions. As a runner, he gained 290 yards and scored five touchdowns.

Clayton convinced Osborne he understands Nebraska's complex offense.

"Mac thinks well on the field," Osborne says. "That was the one question I had about him, that I have about everybody. Once in a while, you have a guy who plays pretty well in practice, but somehow, he just doesn't play well in games, particularly at quarterback. That's a tough position to adjust to."

Clayton made the adjustment even though he wasn't 100 percent healthy after the fourth game. In a 38-7 victory over New Mexico, he injured a foot. "I couldn't cut like I usually do after that," he says.

Oklahoma State's defense never suspected Clayton was less than full speed. He played what was probably his best game of the season in the 34-24 victory over the Cowboys a week after the injury.

He threw the first touchdown pass of his college career, scored the first rushing touchdown for Nebraska against Oklahoma State since 1982 and completed eight of 16 passes for 161 yards. Clayton was never able to complement his running ability with that kind of passing during the remainder of the season.

His poor completion percentage, as much as anything, led to the quarterback controversy, which also involved senior Travis Turner, at least until the Fiesta Bowl game.

Taylor intrigued the fans with his strong right arm in leading Nebraska's junior

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Junior McCathorn Clayton has his hands full, retaining his starting QB job over sophomore Steve Taylor.



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varsity to four consecutive victories. In those games, he completed 19 of 32 passes for 425 yards and five touchdowns. He carried 24 times for 218 yards (9.1 average) and scored seven touchdowns.

After the Cornhusker jayvees beat Coffeyville (Kan.) Community College, Coach Dick Foster remarked: "I've been coaching in college for 20 years, and I've never seen a quarterback who could do the things he does."

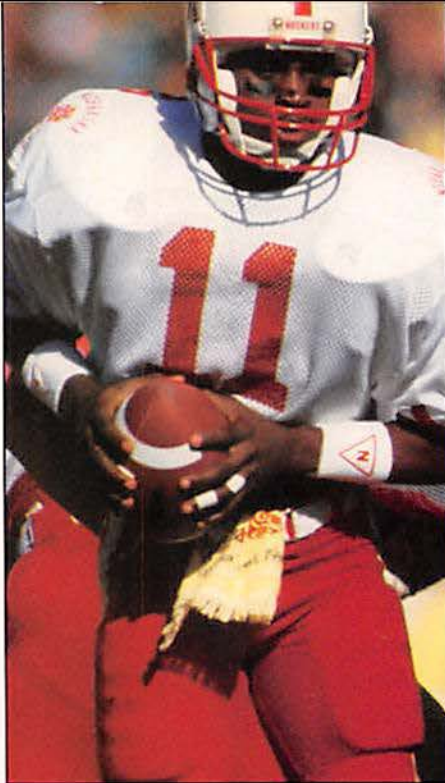
Taylor received a similar endorsement from Michigan cornerback Garland Rivers after the Wolverines beat Nebraska in the Fiesta Bowl 27-23.

"He's the best quarterback we've faced in quite a while," said Rivers. "He hurt us with his scrambling, and he gave his teammates an emotional lift."

Clayton started the Fiesta Bowl game, completing four of six passes for 51 yards and a touchdown, and carrying 14 times for 68 yards before fumbling twice and giving way to Taylor.

Osborne handed the offense to Taylor with 13:10 remaining in the game and the Cornhuskers trailing 27-14.

The freshman wasn't perfect but he was exciting. "He can turn nothing into something real quick," one observer said after Taylor gained 25 yards on his first carry. He finished



Taylor reminds Nebraskans of Turner Gill.

as Nebraska's second-leading rusher, gaining 76 yards on 10 carries.

Taylor took over for Clayton on a first and 10 at the Nebraska 17. He took the Cornhuskers to the Michigan 14 before a broken

play, a delay-of-game penalty and two incomplete passes ended the drive.

On the next series, which began a minute and a half later, Taylor engineered a 12-play, 77-yard march capped by his one-yard touchdown sneak.

He almost turned defeat into victory. Nebraska's final play, from Michigan's 49, was a Taylor pass intercepted in the end zone by Rivers.

At San Diego Lincoln High, Taylor broke single-season records for total offense and average yards per carry. Those records had been held by Marcus Allen, who went on to win the Heisman Trophy as a running back at Southern California.

As a senior, Taylor passed for 1,800 yards and 18 touchdowns, and rushed for 672 yards and 12 touchdowns.

He signed a letter of intent with Nebraska after recruiting visits to Minnesota, Colorado, California and Washington. But Taylor, also a baseball player (he was drafted by the New York Yankees) says he had settled on Nebraska long before he finished visiting.

He met Gill while in Lincoln.

"We talked for a long time about the situation here, about Nebraska playing black quarterbacks and the system," Taylor says. "I think he opened a door for black quarterbacks by

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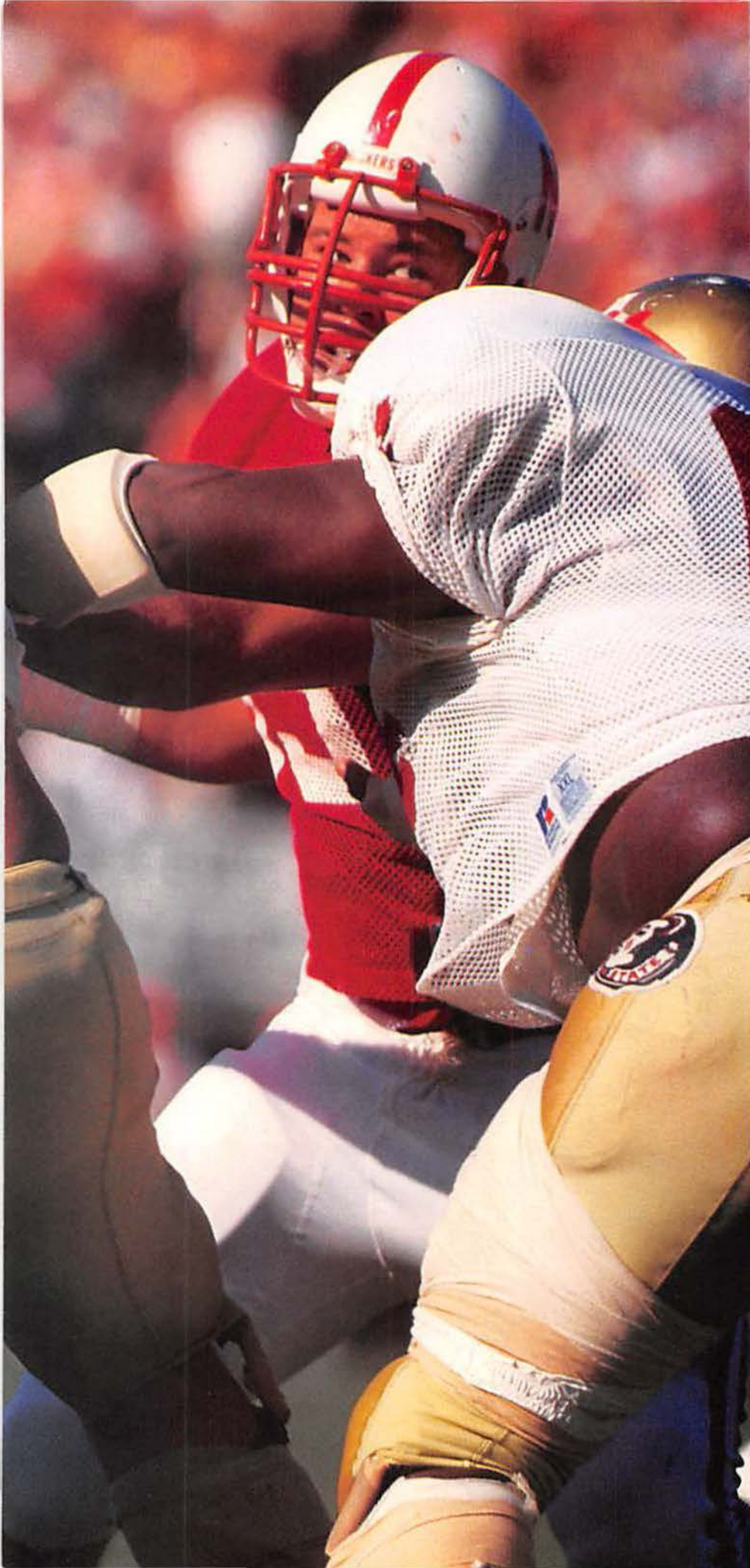
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performing so well and by being able to throw the ball.

"Most people say black quarterbacks are great runners and not very good passers, but Turner did both well."

Taylor developed faster as a freshman than Gill did.

Osborne is hoping his quarterbacks can provide more balance to the offense this fall, after a season in which the Cornhuskers relied heavily on the run.

Nebraska led the nation in rushing offense, with I-back Doug DuBose, now a senior, gaining 1,161 yards (5.7 average) despite missing one game with a knee injury. After off-season arthroscopic surgery, DuBose will make a run at a Nebraska first: three consecutive 1000-yard seasons.

The senior from Uncasville, Conn., is only the third Cornhusker to put together back-to-back 1000-yard seasons. The others were Jarvis Redwine and Heisman Trophy winner Mike Rozier.

Whether or not DuBose succeeds will depend on an offensive line built around returning starters Tom Welter, (6-4, 275), a senior tackle, and junior guard John McCormick (6-0, 250).

The other experienced tackles are senior Rob Maggard (6-3, 265) and junior Keven Lightner (6-2, 280).

Senior Stan Parker (6-5, 245) has starting experience at guard. Seniors Mike Hoeller (6-5, 245) and Ron Galois (6-0, 265) are experienced backups. Andy Keeler (6-2, 245), a redshirted sophomore, also is in the picture.

Senior letterman Mark Cooper (6-1, 245), a backup the last two years, is expected to replace Bill Lewis, who graduated.

A pair of 1985 backups, junior Tom Banderas (6-2, 225) and sophomore Todd Millikan (6-2, 215), have moved up on the depth chart at tight end.

Osborne's biggest concern is how well Cooper adapts to his starting role. "At the other spots, we should be OK," he says.

Keith Jones, fastest football player in Nebraska history, gives the Cornhuskers two-deep strength at I-back. The junior from Omaha, who broke Gale Sayers' rushing records at Central High, has been timed at 4.33 in the 40.

Sophomore Tyreese Knox, an I-back until last spring, is one of three who could start at fullback. The others are seniors Dan Casterline and Ken Kaelin. Knox is the fastest fullback in school history, having run a 4.44 40.

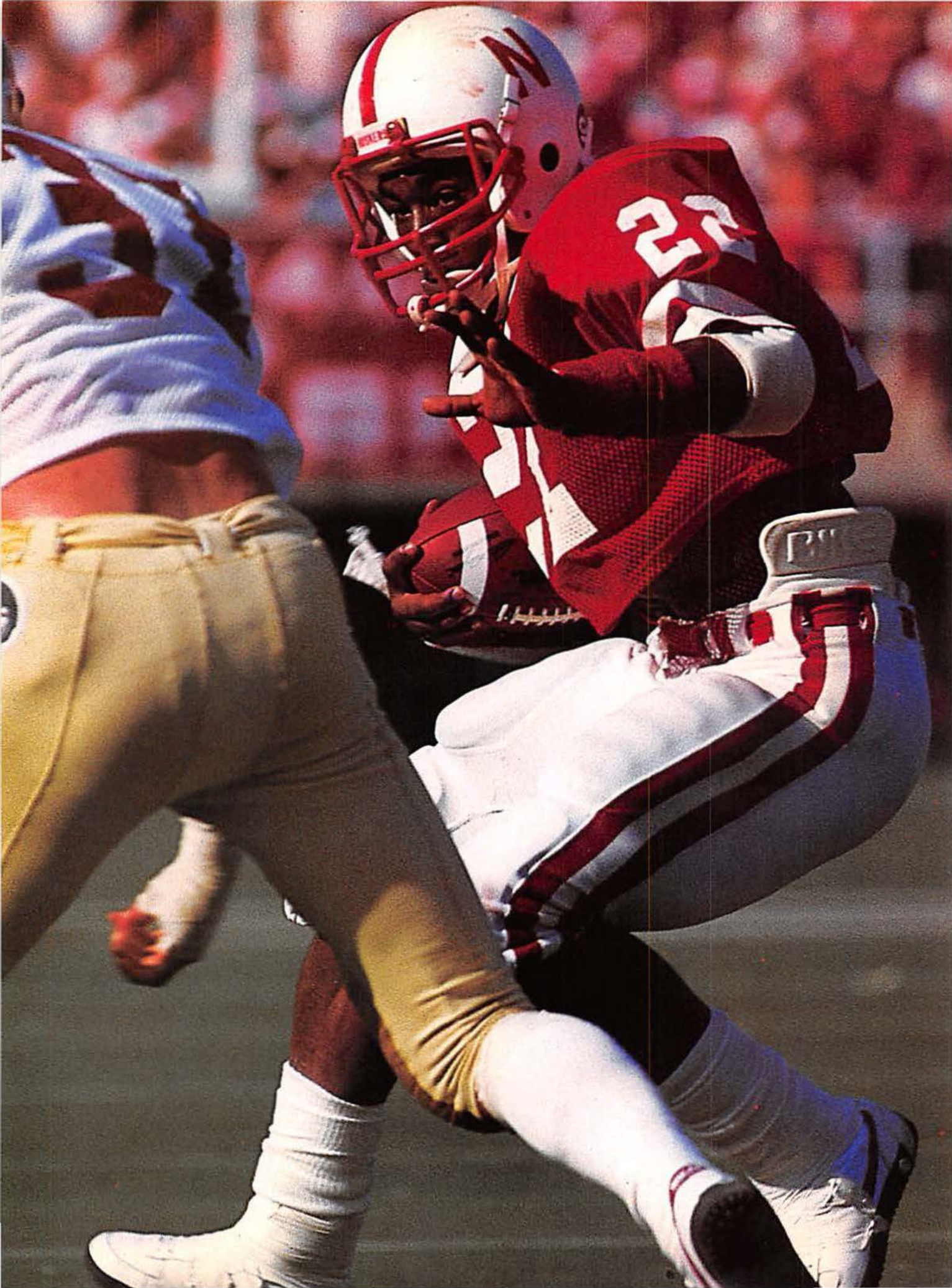
Junior Von Sheppard and sophomore Dana Brinson have comparable speed at wingback.

Senior Robb Schnitzler and junior Rod Smith, the top two split ends, return, as does sophomore Jason Gamble, who missed all of last season following reconstructive knee surgery. Schnitzler led the team in receiving even though he had only 16 catches for 382 yards.

Senior linebacker Marc Munford (6-2, 230)

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Doug DuBose sets out to achieve his third straight 1000-yard season. →



Linebacker Par Excellence

No Zip on Boz's Lip

by Bob Hersom



Flamboyant, eccentric, a fiery player, Oklahoma linebacker Brian Bosworth is one of a kind.

It was four days before the 1985 Red River Riot—Oklahoma vs. Texas at the Cotton Bowl in Dallas—and Sooner linebacker Brian Bosworth was wheezing and coughing. Influenza, obviously.

"Bulletin Board" Bosworth hadn't been himself. Oklahoma's most offensive player, at least in the eyes of Texas, hadn't provided any good reading for the Longhorn bulletin board. Not yet.

One year before he had plenty to say about Texas. He didn't like Texas players or Texas coaches. He didn't like Austin. He didn't like the Longhorns' colors, either.

Now, four days before playing Texas for the second time, Bosworth felt groggy as he entered the corridor outside Oklahoma's locker room. But his spirits soon perked. All-America voters don't remember every Bosworth tackle, but they read most of the quotes. He remembers the media.

As he appeared, two dozen reporters approached. Bosworth held court, as only Bosworth does, at mid-corridor. Five minicams whirled and 20 reporters wrestled for position.

"I haven't been very vocal yet because I've been sick a good part of the week," a sniffing Bosworth said apologetically. "I've spent most of the time in my room."

He had spent some time in Coach Barry Switzer's office, too. A few weeks before, when Big Eight Skywriters visited Norman, Bosworth entered the interview room and was greeted by a smiling Switzer.

"Boz! Boz!" Switzer shouted.

"Yeah, coach?" Bosworth said, grinning.

Switzer, instead of answering, grinned at the player he has described as the greatest linebacker in Sooner history. Still grinning, Switzer put his right thumb and index finger together, placed both over the left corner of Bosworth's mouth and moved them across, left to right, like a zipper.

Keep it closed, Brian.

Now, with the Texas game coming up, Switzer appeared moments after Bosworth began to speak to reporters.

The Oklahoma coach, walking down the hallway toward Bosworth, shook his head and grinned in apparent disbelief.

"Hey! What did you just tell me?" Switzer said.

Switzer looked at the media and said, "I just

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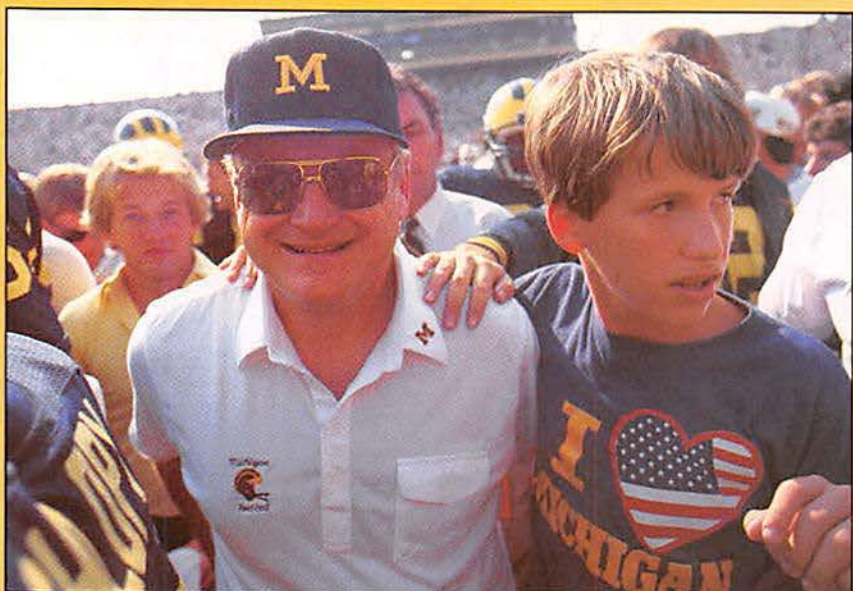
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Football Over Family Is No Longer the Case With Michigan Coach

by Joe Falls

"Bo Schembechler is probably the most one-dimensional person I know. He doesn't have any hobbies. His idea of a great summer is watching football films."

—Don Canham, athletic director,
University of Michigan

Wrong.
Bo goes to the movies once in a while to see things like *Beverly Hills Cop* and *Rocky IV*. He takes Millie and Shemy. Millie is his wife, Shemy is their 16-year-old son. He's the one who wants to be a sportswriter. "The kid's demented," says Bo.

Bo will read, listen to a little music, take naps and, on occasion, even cook up a pot of popcorn. But Canham's point is well-taken. Bo Schembechler, one of the most successful college football coaches in the country, does seem to have a one-track mind—a track that runs over right tackle and left tackle.

That's how we bet every Saturday. We know he is going to start every game over tackle. Up in the press box, we bet nickels whether it's going to be right tackle or left tackle.

"Take right tackle," Bo grins. "You know I like to run right."

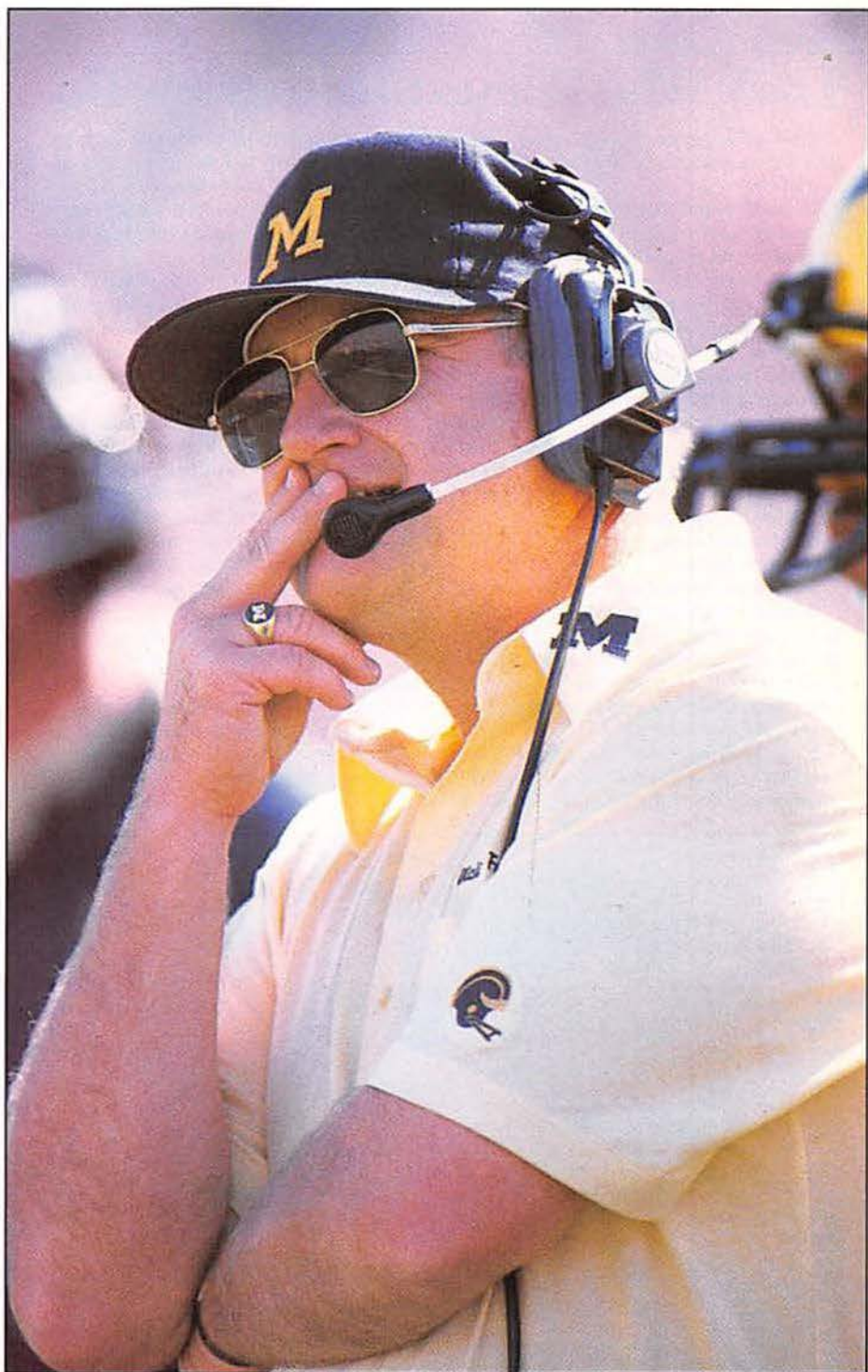
The man—unlike the man of the past—can laugh more, certainly more easily. He has come to understand many things about himself. One of them is that you can't watch football films all summer long. He still gives it the old 100 percent effort to make the Michigan program one of the best in the country, but now he reserves that extra 10 percent for himself and his family. He knows he is getting on in years—57—and he'd better start looking at his world in different ways. Everything is not "power-right on 2." He is finding time for other things.

How many people do you know who have sailed through the Greek islands? Bo has. How many do you know who have lived on a raft four straight days while riding down the Colorado River? Bo has. How many do you know who have taken a ride on the Orient Express from London to Venice with a stop in Paris? Bo has.

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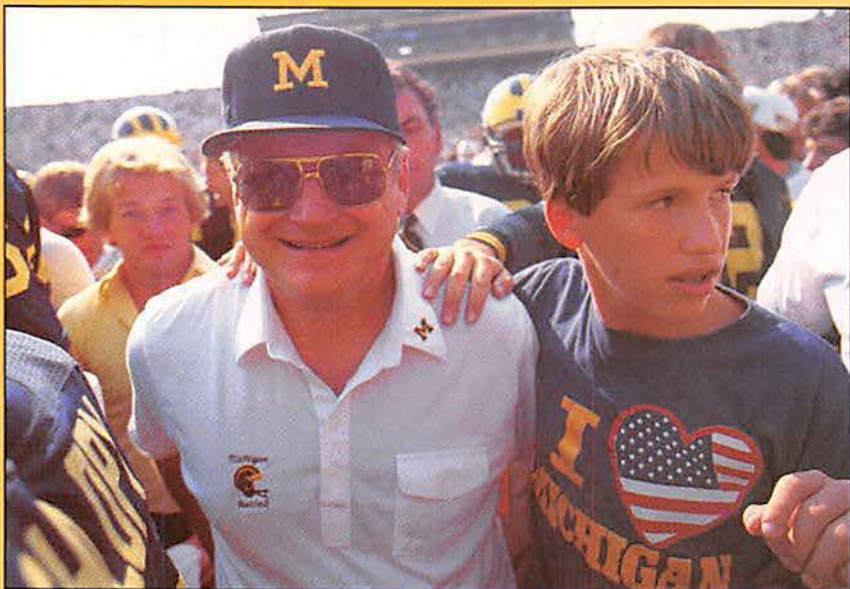
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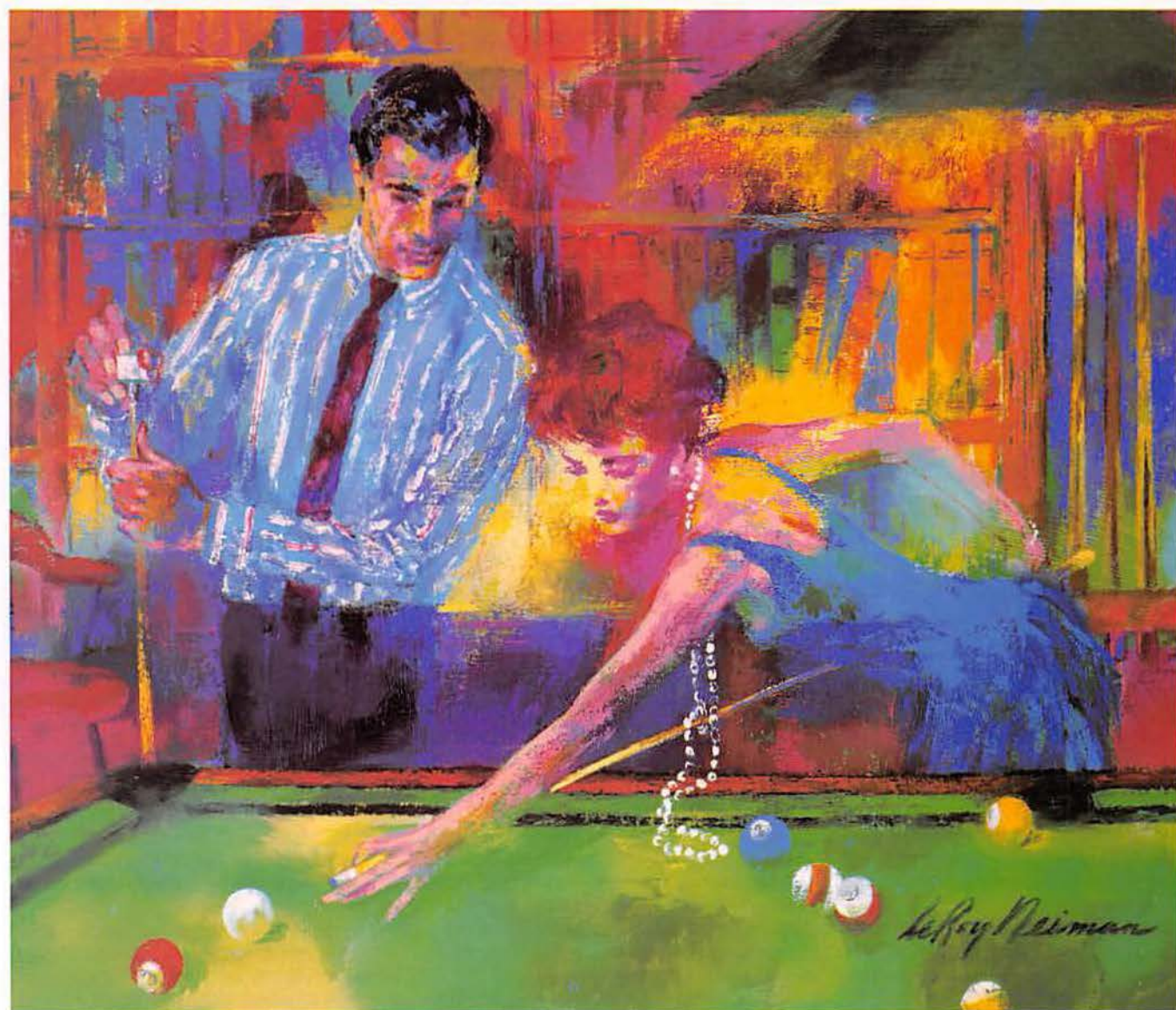
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The Show in the Stands



by Chris Dufresne

Everybody loves a good card trick. Most of us had an old uncle who could shuffle a deck with one hand or magically pluck a queen of diamonds from your auntie's latest hairdo.

And who hasn't been fooled by the old pick-a-card, any card, trick? Still, there is one card stunt that may top them all. It's so awe-inspiring that few dare attempt it.

For this one, you need not the Amazing Kreskin but instead a deck of 17,000 multi-colored cards, 3,000 college students and a minor miracle or two. You see, the trick works only if these 3,000 students agree to sit still and pay attention.

If they do, well, you've got your minor miracle.

Here's how it works:

Imagine a scene where well-mannered students cluster in a giant, blocked-out section of a football stadium for a Saturday afternoon game. Each student is equipped with five colored cards and an instruction pamphlet. On command from a leader, students hold up cards of different colors according to script.

Voila. Across the field, if all goes well, it looks as though someone flicked on Channel 5 in rows 15 through 50.

At its best, the modern-day card stunt is sophisticated art, a series of impressive larger-than-life mosaics, created and disassembled within seconds.

The University of California at Berkeley has a motion stunt in which a mouse actually appears to be moving across the section.

At its worst, card stunts rival anything Irwin Allen might whip up, such as the time California students ended a show almost before it began by rebelliously heaving their cards in the air.

So precarious is the art of card stunts that few colleges in America, perhaps a half-dozen or so, still bother doing shows at football games.

"It's easy for us because we've always done it," says Mike Wondolowski, chairman of the Rally Committee at California, the school that invented card stunts. "It would take a lot of initiative for a school to start it up. If a school has never been on the inside planning, it could be awed by the concept."

California, being the King of Cards, has taken stunts to another dimension. There, stunts begin on a scaled-down grid of a 54-seat by 58-row section in a stadium. Designs are created on the grid and each seat is given a corresponding color. California averages about 25 stunts a game.

Instructions are fed into a computer, and each student is given a printout at the game.

At UCLA, instruction sheets are still produced manually.

"It's a lot of work, especially if you have to do it by hand," says Richard Brisacher, chair-

man of the Rally Committee at UCLA. "And some schools have had problems with students throwing cards and hurting people."

Yes, it's the human factor in card stunts that keeps things interesting.

Coordinating 10 college students for anything is accomplishment. But 2,000 students loaded with 17,000 cards? With pointed edges? It can be frightening so let's get right to the horror stories.

"Two years ago we had a game on national television against UCLA," Wondolowski said. "We had this stunt that spelled out ABC. But our guy made the mistake of telling the students it said ABC. They all stood up and threw their cards in the air. It was only the third stunt of the show. The whole show was a wreck."

What did the students have against ABC?

"I don't know," Wondolowski said. "It was like 'Oh, we're Berkeley, we have to be anti-establishment.'"

Wondolowski says the key to a good card stunt is making things as simple as possible for the students.

"You can't confuse them," he says. "If you do, they'll just throw the cards."

And then there's the problem of picking up the deck. It's a tradition at California for students to heave their cards in the air at game's end.

And, as Wondolowski will tell you, picking up 17,000 cards that have been marinating in

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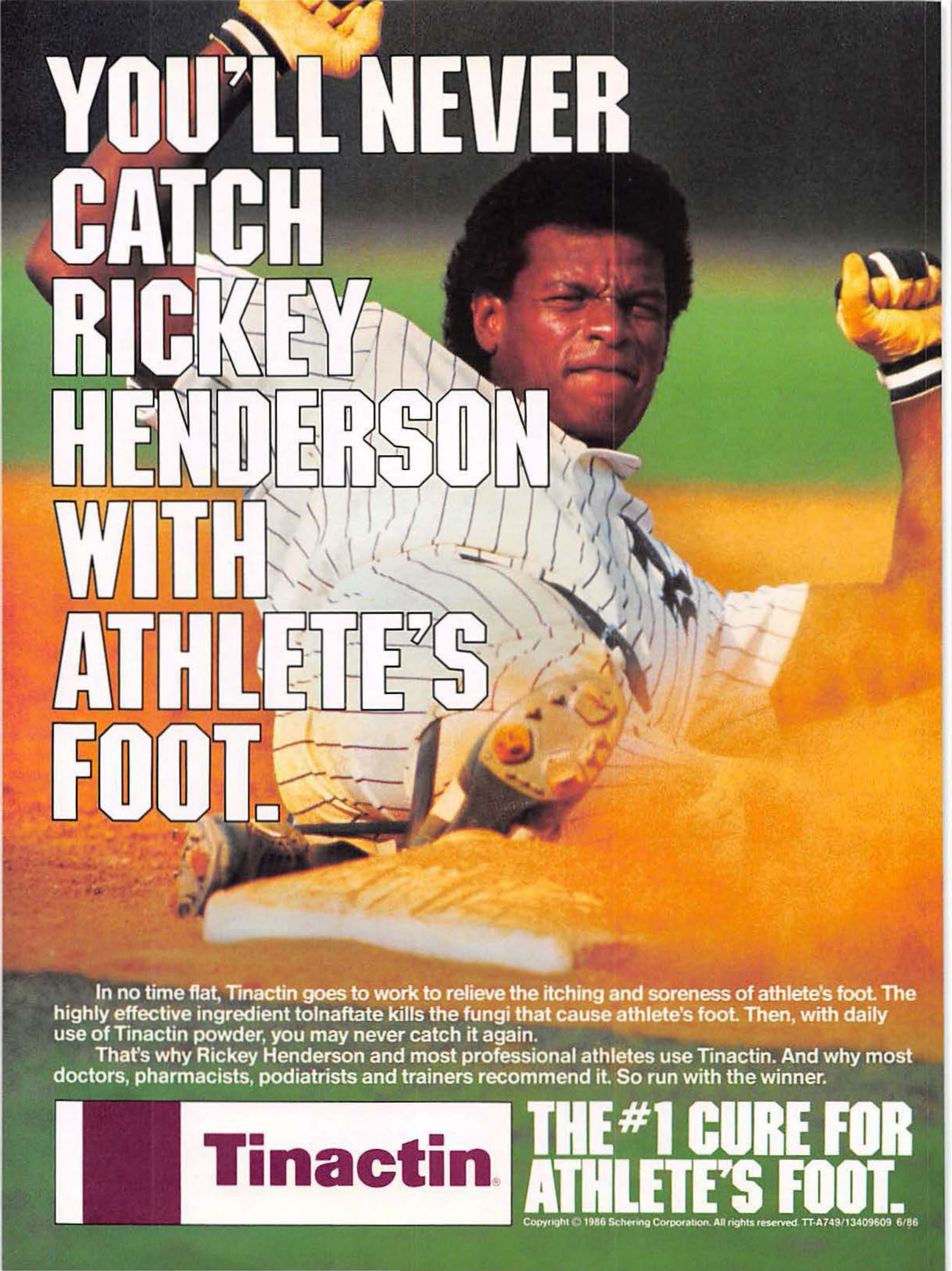
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Nebraska's Unlikely All-Star Prospect

by Mike Babcock

Brian Davis intercepted the first pass of his Nebraska football career on the opening series of the second half in the Cornhuskers' 34-24 victory over Oklahoma State at Stillwater last season.

He was the center of attention for 18 yards, the distance of his return. The game was telecast by ESPN, and if any of Davis' classmates from high school days in Arizona were watching that night, they must have wondered when they heard his name. "They were probably saying, 'That's not Brian. There's no way,'" says Davis.

Five years ago, Davis had a full-time job with an insurance company in Phoenix. He was barely two years out of high school, and his future was uncertain. One thing he knew for sure was that he didn't plan to work in an office for the rest of his life.

Davis never imagined he would play major-college, maybe even professional football. He knew he needed a change, though, and that's why he enrolled at nearby Glendale (Ariz.) Community College.

A friend encouraged him to go out for football, although his high school experience was limited. He had been a varsity wrestler at Cortez High in Phoenix, competing at 132 pounds in his senior year. He was good enough to qualify for the state meet three times.

"I went out for football as a senior so I wouldn't have to take a part-time job," Davis says. "I had no particular interest in football."

However, when Davis walked on at Glendale Community College, he was well on the way to becoming the 6-3, 195-pound cornerback he is now. He had been spending leisure time at a health club lifting weights. But he was skeptical about his tryout. "I still didn't know if I was all that interested in the game," he says.

The coaches were impressed by Davis' speed and his aptitude for football. By mid-season of his freshman year, he had become a starter. And as a sophomore, he was a junior college All-American, recruited by major colleges.

Confident now he could play on the major-college level, Davis planned to transfer to a school on the West Coast, maybe UCLA or Southern California. He visited Arizona State at his own expense and made official recruiting trips to Southern Cal, California, South Carolina

and Miami. A fifth trip had been scheduled for UCLA, but he canceled it and visited Nebraska, which hadn't figured in his plans initially.

Nebraska recruiting coordinator Steve Pederson heard about Davis and suggested that Bob Thornton, former coach of defensive backs, take a look at some film.

Thornton was impressed enough to invite Davis to Lincoln. Davis visited in late December.

"It was snowing hard when I arrived," he says. "I didn't even own a coat. I just wore a light jacket and I almost froze."

Nebraska Coach Tom Osborne told him, Davis recalls, "We think you can play and we'll give you a chance." That kind of honesty sold me. Coaches at other schools assured me, "You're the greatest. You'll be an imme-

diate starter and be playing every Sunday (in the pros) in two years."

Davis was to enroll in second-semester classes so he could take part in spring football practice. He was at the airport ready to leave for Nebraska when Pederson learned that he lacked two credits to be eligible to transfer. The Big Eight requires junior-college transfers to complete 24 credit hours in their final two semesters, and Davis had only 22.

Pederson reached Davis just before he was to board his plane. The recruiter said if he wanted to go to another school, he would be given a good recommendation as well as a release signed by Osborne.

Davis was asked to take some time to think about it. "I told him then I'd see him in the summer," he says. "I'd made my commitment,

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Brian Davis (32) didn't go back on his commitment to the Cornhuskers when he could have.



Who says studying game films doesn't pay off? Not Mark Hatcher. Colorado's junior quarterback watched himself on film and changed his running style after four games last season.

The week he made the adjustment, a minor one in which he ran parallel to the line of scrimmage as he prepared to option the ball (he had been making a loop), he rushed for 151 yards on 25 carries and scored three touchdowns in a 38-7 victory over Missouri.

Hatcher was picked as the Big Eight Offensive Player of the Week. More important, he was now comfortable with the Buffaloes' new offense.

The Colorado coaches had figured it would take at least a year for Hatcher to feel at home as a wishbone quarterback. "I tried to develop in less than a year so we wouldn't have to wait to start winning," he says.

Hatcher makes Colorado's turnaround sound easy. The Buffaloes finished with a 1-10 record in 1984, when he played seven games at tailback. Last year they were 7-5, their first winning record since 1978, and earned a trip to the Freedom Bowl.

"I tried to develop in less than a year so we wouldn't have to wait to start winning," he says. Hatcher makes Colorado's turnaround sound easy.

With a wishbone attack and Hatcher at quarterback, Colorado has more options. The season highlights film proves that. When Hatcher was full speed, Colorado was 5-1. When he was less than full speed or sidelined, it was 2-3.

Gary Barnett, quarterbacks coach, thinks the Buffaloes would have had two more victories if Hatcher hadn't suffered a fracture of his left ankle against Iowa State. Though he missed only one game, he didn't recover fully until the final game against Kansas State. He carried 12 times for 119 yards. Colorado rolled up 383 yards of offense and won 30-0.

"There are times when he can be explosive," Coach Bill McCartney says.

That's understandable. Hatcher runs 40 yards in 4.5 seconds and bench-presses over 300 pounds. At John Muir High School in Pasadena, Calif., he was a hurdler, sprinter and long jumper. He's been timed at 9.7 in the 100-yard dash.

Hatcher used those skills to excel at football. In his senior year he passed for 2,093 yards and 27 touchdowns, completing 108 of 188 and throwing only three interceptions. He rushed for 432 yards on 86 carries and 10 touchdowns. In a game against Glendale High, he threw five touchdown passes in the first quarter. He also punted and kicked field goals.

Southern California and UCLA wanted him as a defensive back. Colorado and Nebraska recruited him to play quarterback.

"I came to Colorado because they promised me a chance to both run and pass," Hatcher says.

McCartney already had begun thinking about option football when he recruited Hatcher. "I didn't have the slightest intention then of using the wishbone," McCartney says, "but we told Mark that if he played quarterback, we would implement option plays to take advantage of his skills."

Because of his speed, Hatcher was moved to tailback as a freshman with the assurance that he could return to quarterback the next season if he desired.

As a tailback, he carried 14 times for 40 yards and caught six passes for 39 yards. Colorado finished the season ranked 105th in the nation—dead last—in rushing offense and 16th in passing offense. A year later, with Hatcher at quarterback, the Buffaloes were ninth in rushing and 105th in passing.

McCartney says, "An option quarterback has to have the attitude of a running back when he's got the ball. He has to want to run with it."

Hatcher rushed for 539 yards and 10 touchdowns. He ranked fifth in the Big Eight in scoring, eighth in rushing and 10th in total offense.

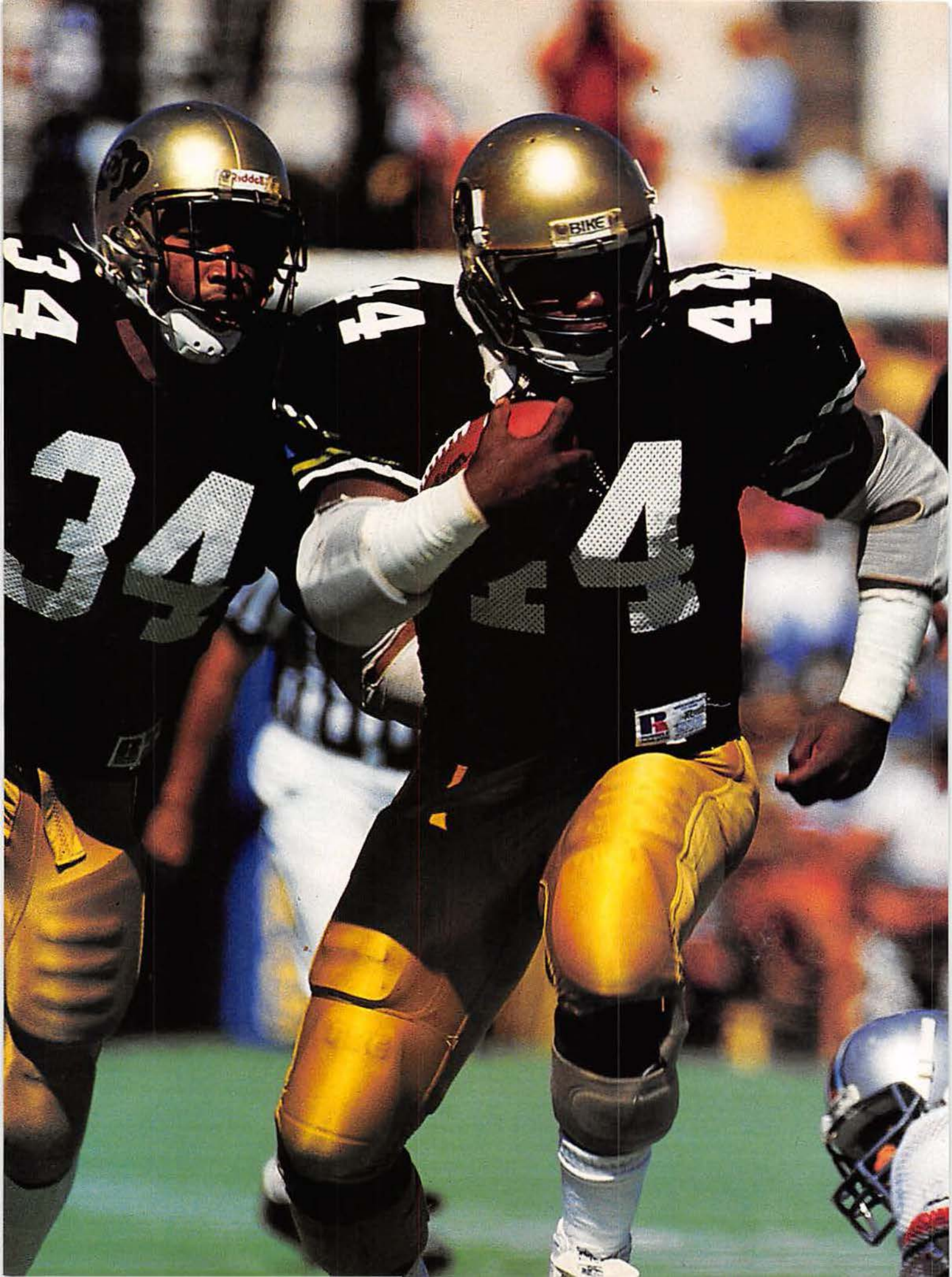
Nevertheless, McCartney says, "We were one-dimensional (on offense) last year."

Hatcher completed only 16 of 51 passes for 325 yards and one touchdown.

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With a winning cast from a year ago, Mark Hatcher expects to lead the Buffaloes to a bowl game.





← Anthony Weatherspoon (44) and Sam Smith form a pair of high-average running backs.

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According to McCartney, the Buffaloes spent so much time learning to run the triple option, they ignored the forward pass. This season will be different. "We're going to work hard on the passing game and take advantage of our personnel, especially Jon Embree, Jo Jo Collins and Drew Ferrando," he says.

Collins and Ferrando are junior split ends. Embree (6-2, 225) is a senior tight end.

Hatcher is confident he can get the ball to receivers with more regularity. But then, confidence is his trademark.

"A lot of people think I'm cocky," says Hatcher. "And I can be sometimes. I try not to doubt myself in any way. That's why I say I'm gonna lead the team to victory."

He had that attitude going into spring practice his freshman year, when he battled with Alan Strait for the starting quarterback job. Strait, a junior, goes into this season as the No. 1 backup.

Hatcher grew up watching Oklahoma run its wishbone. "The triple-option attack fits my talents," Hatcher says. "When the coaches changed to the wishbone, I knew it was not only a chance for us to be better on offense; it was a chance for me."

It also gave McCartney the opportunity to earn recognition as Big Eight Coach of the Year from both the Associated Press and United Press International.

Hatcher admits he had some things to learn about the wishbone. "I found out that I didn't know as much about it as I thought," he says. "The reads are the toughest to learn."

Hatcher will be surrounded by an offensive unit that returns six other starters.

The most notable is senior center Eric Coyle (6-2, 270), the Buffaloes' offensive player of the year and second-team All-Big Eight. "The most important part of the wishbone is the middle of the line," Coyle says. "The key is to move the ball and keep possession as long as possible."

Coyle is joined upfront by junior tackle Pat Ryan (6-3, 270) and junior guard Chris Symington (6-2, 270). Both were starters.

Embree, a three-year regular, led Colorado in receiving but with only nine catches for 140 yards and one of the Buffaloes' two touchdown passes.

Embree hasn't complained about the switch to the wishbone, even though he spends more time blocking. "It's fine with me as long as we win," he says.

Collins, who ranked third in the conference in punt returns, caught only three passes for 38 yards. Ferrando, his backup, also caught only three.

Those numbers should change significantly this season.

Junior Anthony Weatherspoon, Colorado's second-leading rusher, returns at fullback. He carried 140 times for 569 yards and two touchdowns. Another fullback, Eric McCarty,

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Kyle "the trash compactor" Rappold (91, above) does his stuff, and Barry Remington (left) follows suit.

Darrell Wallace faces another challenge this season, maybe the biggest of his career.

As a sophomore in 1985, Wallace beat out the '84 starter at Missouri's running back position. Not only that but he then became only the third player in school history to rush more than 1000 yards in a season.

You might think a player who has done that has faced his biggest challenge already. But not Wallace. This fall he must hold his starting role not only against the player who started two years ago, Jon Redd, but also against probably the most highly recruited back in the nation, Tony VanZant of Hazelwood (Mo.) Central.

Wallace accepts the challenge.

"The coaches can give him everything he needs from head to toe—everything except blood and guts," Wallace says. "That he'll have to get on his own. I'm sure Tony VanZant is a great athlete, or he wouldn't have been able to accomplish what he has. But once he gets to Missouri and goes against other outstanding athletes, he'll find it's a different game.

"In high school, he didn't have to play against bigger players who can run and hit hard. I don't want to take anything away from him, but I've been there."

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VanZant's statistics were impressive, but they were amassed in high school. He rushed for 6,138 yards and scored 91 touchdowns in his high school career. In his senior year, he ran for 2,729 yards and scored 37 touchdowns as he led Hazelwood Central, a suburban St. Louis school, to the Class 5A state championship.

Missouri won a recruiting battle over colleges from coast to coast.

Coach Woody Widenhofer compares VanZant's running style to Tony Dorsett's. "I recruited Tony Dorsett when I was an assistant at Minnesota, so I spent a lot of time with him," says Widenhofer. "He and Tony VanZant are similar types—great acceleration, great vision, ability to make people miss.

"Dorsett played in Pennsylvania and went to Pitt when Pitt's program was nothing. In four years, he won the Heisman Trophy and they won the national championship."

John Hotfelder, VanZant's coach at Hazelwood Central, doesn't have any doubts about his star's skills.

"With his acceleration, he can explode when he gets a little crease in the line," Hotfelder says. "He's got good hands, which means that he can come out of the backfield and catch passes. He doesn't fumble much."

VanZant says he selected Missouri to please his mother, who wanted him to play college football close to home.

"Thank God for Mrs. VanZant," says Widenhofer.

Wallace has done some thinking about the new recruit.

"Coach Woody has always told us that he's going to play the guy he feels is doing the job," he says. "VanZant has a challenge ahead of him, not only from me, but from seniors Vernon Boyd and Jon Redd, and sophomores Tommy Stowers and Roland Young. Even if he is the No. 1 recruit in the nation, he's got to come here and show what he can do before he gets the opportunity to play."

But don't get the idea Wallace isn't pulling for VanZant.

"I just hope he's as good as he's supposed to be," Wallace says. "He's going to be the future here. We won't be here forever."

Wallace also had a sensational high school career. He was a 1982 All-American who rushed for 1,391 yards and scored 22 touchdowns in his senior season at Fort Campbell, Ky.

He was redshirted as a freshman and carried the ball only 11 times for 63 yards in 1984. But he impressed the new coaching staff in the following spring practice and won the starting job from Redd, who led Missouri with 668 yards rushing in 1984, and Boyd, Wallace's roommate.

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OT John Clay (left) and LB Bo Sherrill are seniors in a show of trained Tigers.

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Wallace carried 226 times and rushed for 1,120 yards. He averaged 101.8 yards per game, third in the Big Eight and 16th in the nation. He also ranked third in the Big Eight and 12th in the nation in all-purpose running with 144.5 yards per game.

Although Wallace is only 5-7 and weighs only 167 pounds, he's a workhorse. His 226 carries represented 46 percent of Missouri's rushing plays, and he gained 64 percent of the rushing yardage. Boyd carried only 35 times for 170 yards. Redd had 27 carries for 122 yards.

"I knew I could do it, if I was given a chance," Wallace says. "The new coaches gave everyone an equal shot. It paid off for me."

"I knew when I came here that Darrell could have success like this," says Charles Coe, running backs coach. "His quickness is tailor-made for what we're trying to do. I could see in the spring that he had the talent. He's what I call a true I-back with great quickness, fast feet and aggressiveness."

"He's the type who always knows where other people are around him. He can see in front of him, behind him and to the sides. I'm not surprised he rushed for 1000 yards, because our system takes advantage of all his best qualities."

"I didn't know a whole lot about Darrell when I came here," admits Widenhofer. "He was really a pleasant surprise. His only problem was that he didn't play much in 1984. But now he's had this chance and made the most of it. He'll open some eyes in the next couple of years."

Wallace says his lack of size doesn't bother him, even in an era of big football players.

"I like to fantasize," he admits. "I picture myself as a 6-foot, 190- or 200- pounder. But I'm not really concerned about my size. Some people think a small player can do things a large one can't. And I don't think it has anything to do with how good you are."

"My quickness is probably the strongest

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With three years of experience, DB Cameron Riley grasps situations quickly. ➔



Wayne Ziegler is inspired by the memory of his performance in the 1984 Kansas-North Carolina game. He thinks about it whenever he's on the field, even during practice, and particularly after making a rare mistake. He gets upset when he makes a wrong read in a five-on-five pass coverage drill. "I'm a perfectionist," says Ziegler, the Jayhawks' senior free safety and defensive co-captain.

That's why his play against North Carolina has become the standard by which he measures himself as a football player. "I didn't make mistakes; it was a perfect game," Ziegler says.

Most Kansas football fans remember Ziegler's play in the Jayhawks' 28-11 upset of Oklahoma two years ago. He intercepted a pass and returned it 63 yards for the fourth-quarter touchdown that broke the game open. "Everybody thinks that was my best game," says Ziegler, "but it wasn't, because I made a couple of mistakes, and one or two bad plays tick me off."

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Ziegler, who made 18 tackles and broke up four passes, was ticked off after the North Carolina game, too. But not because of any mistakes. Kansas lost to the Tar Heels 23-17.

Although his showing in that game motivates Ziegler in his pursuit of perfection, sometimes he says, "I think it hurts me. Why? Because I'm never going to play like that again. I'm going to get beat (on a pass play) sooner or later."

The fact that Ziegler is still playing is an indication that he can't really be beaten. He could have given up four years ago and no one would have faulted him. He's been hampered by a knee problem throughout his college career.

The injury, a torn ligament in his right knee, occurred in the Kansas Shrine Bowl game in 1981 in his senior year at Nickerdon (Kan.) High School.

Ziegler insists, "It's no big deal." But it's plagued him since he was a freshman redshirt, hoping to become a quarterback.

On the final play of the spring game that first year at Kansas, after Ziegler had made the switch to defense, he aggravated the injury and was sidelined the first four games in 1983.

Ziegler almost quit during that time, but he was persuaded to continue by a physical therapist.

He didn't have any further problems with the knee until the second game last year. Against Vanderbilt he suffered a severe sprain in a collision with a tight end cutting across the middle and was forced to miss three games.

Ziegler returned to play against Iowa State, but before he could regain his momentum, he was sidelined by a clip in the Kansas State game a week later.

"It was depressing," Ziegler says. "I worked hard to get back in shape, and then I got hurt again. I thought, 'Why me?' It was self-pity."

Ziegler wasn't discouraged enough to give up, though. He was back in the lineup for the final game, a 34-20 victory over Missouri.

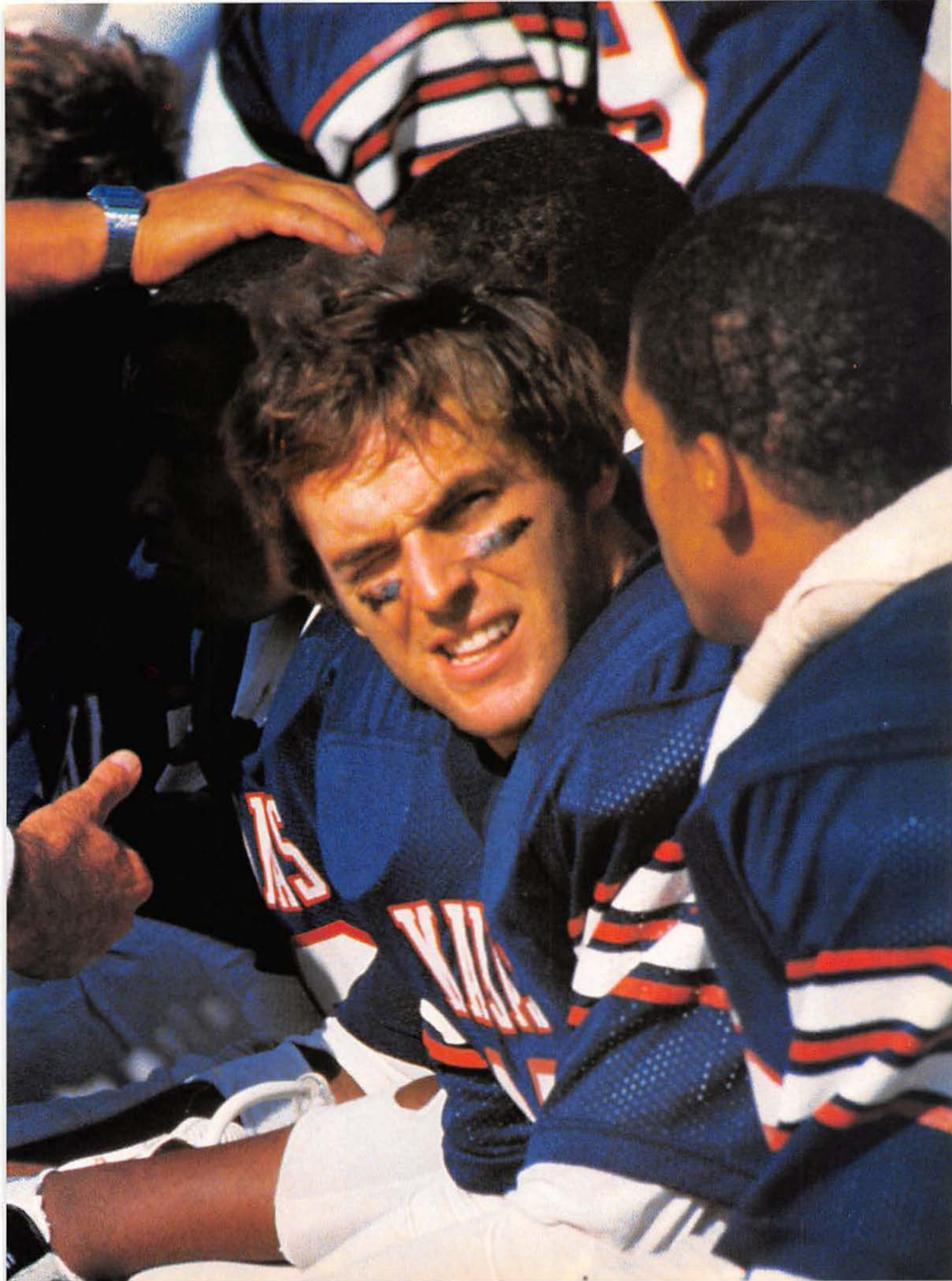
He missed too many games to be considered for All-Big Eight honors, but he was named on the conference's academic team. He's on schedule to complete work for his degree in December with a double major in communications and personnel administration.

If Ziegler seems all business, on and off the field, dismiss the thought. He appreciates a practical joke. As a result of one he pulled, teammate Phil Forte, a senior defensive end, has the nickname "Bulldog."

Bob Brown, a professional wrestler whose nickname is Bulldog, was scheduled to appear in Lawrence, Kan. Ziegler took a newspaper advertisement of the match and superimposed a photograph of Forte's head on the picture of Brown's body.

"I ran off about 50 copies and posted them all over campus," Ziegler says. "It infuriated Phil."

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Mike Orth (left), an '85 redshirt, has something on the ball. Bob Pieper (above) is an OT vet.

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Ziegler is optimistic about his senior season, both for himself and for Kansas' potential under first-year Coach Bob Valesente, who served as assistant coach and quarterbacks coach under former Jayhawk Coach Mike Gottfried, now head coach at Pittsburgh.

Ziegler is satisfied that the transition has gone smoothly. "I agree with what we're doing," he says.

Kansas returns 13 starters, five on offense. Quarterback Mike Orth, a 6-5 junior, replaces Mike Norseth, the Big Eight's 1985 total offense leader. Orth redshirted last season, after backing up Norseth and Frank Seurer, two of the most prolific passers in conference history.

In two years Orth has completed 42 of 80 passes for 607 yards and two touchdowns.

The Jayhawks' attack probably won't look much different with Orth. His backups are Robby Santos, a junior college transfer, and freshmen Vince Bryant and John Baker, all of whom redshirted last season.

Valesente hopes to establish a running game that will complement Orth's passing. Kansas ranked sixth in the conference in rushing, averaging only 122 yards.

Junior tailback Mike Rogers, who rushed for 268 yards, and senior fullback Mark Henderson, who carried only 16 times for 90 yards, are the most experienced backs. Junior college transfers Scott Schriener and Tim Ledford are expected to contribute immediately. Schriener rushed for 1,420 yards and scored 19 touchdowns for Butler County (Kan.) Community College last season.

Kansas will be strong upfront, where four

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Melt 2 tablespoons butter or margarine in a 1½-quart saucepan over medium heat. Brown 2 sliced frankfurters and cook ½ cup thinly sliced celery until tender.

Stir in 1 can (10½ ounces) Campbell's Condensed Cream of Potato Soup, 1

soup can milk, and ½ teaspoon prepared mustard. Reduce heat to low and stir occasionally until warm. Makes 2½ cups or 3 servings.

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Cut 1 large turnip, 1 large carrot, ½ large red pepper and ½ medium zucchini into 1½-inch matchstick-thin strips.

In 3-quart saucepan over medium heat, combine 1 can (12 ounces) V-8, Vegetable Juice, turnip, carrot, 1 tablespoon lemon juice, ¼ teaspoon each crushed dried basil and oregano leaves, and dash hot pepper sauce; heat to boiling, stirring occasionally. Reduce heat to low; cover and simmer 5 minutes.

Add red pepper and zucchini; simmer 5 minutes or until all vegetables are tender-crisp.

Transfer vegetable mixture to shallow dish. Cover; refrigerate at least 6 hours.

Serve on lettuce; garnish with red pepper rings. Makes 3½ cups or 4 servings.

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In a medium bowl with mixer at medium speed, gradually beat 1 can (11½ ounces) Campbell's Condensed Chili Beef Soup into 1 package (3 ounces) cream cheese softened until smooth.

Stir in 3 tablespoons finely chopped onion, 1 tablespoon finely chopped green pepper and ½ teaspoon hot pepper sauce. Cover; refrigerate at least 2 hours. Serve with crackers or chips. Makes 1½ cups.

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underwent knee surgery the final week of the regular season and hopes to return in the fall. Despite missing two games, Munford led in tackles with 67, 43 unassisted.

A healthy Munford would give the Cornhuskers a strong linebacking corps. Seniors Kevin Parsons (6-3, 230) and Steve Forch (6-2, 230) and sophomore LeRoy Etienne (6-2, 235) have experience.

Only two starters, both seniors, return in the defensive front: middle guard Danny Noonan (6-3, 275) and tackle Chris Spachman (6-5, 250). Noonan was second in sacks with 11 for losses totaling 69 yards. Spachman was credited with 34 tackles, one interception and two fumble recoveries, including one he grabbed in mid-air and returned 76 yards for the Cornhuskers' only touchdown in the 27-7 loss to Oklahoma.

Tackles Neil Smith (6-5, 245) and Lee Jones (6-1, 230), who had off-season shoulder surgery, are experienced juniors.

Lawrence Pete (6-1, 275), a redshirted sophomore, figures in Nebraska's plans at middle guard.

Three of the top four defensive ends in the Fiesta Bowl game are gone. The only one returning is senior Tony Holloway (6-2, 205), who will be joined by sophomore Broderick Thomas (6-4, 235) as well as senior Brad Tyrer (6-2, 220) and sophomores Randall Jobman (6-3, 215) and Steve Stanard (6-0, 210), who's coming off a redshirt season.

Dale Klein . . . kicked seven field goals in seven attempts against Missouri to tie an NCAA record.

Four of the top six cornerbacks on the bowl depth chart return as do the three safeties and the three monster backs. The most notable are returning starters Brian Davis, senior cornerback; seniors Bryan Siebler and Chris Carr, who alternated at safety; and junior Brian Washington, an All-Big Eight-quality monster.

Despite the returning experience, sophomore cornerbacks Charles Fryar and John Custard, and free safety Dante Wiley are ready to compete for playing time.

Cornhusker fans again will get a kick out of senior Dale Klein. He kicked seven field goals in seven attempts against Missouri to tie an NCAA record. The All-Big Eight placekicker finished with 13 of 20 field goals and 38 of 38 extra-point kicks.

Redshirted sophomore John Kroeker probably will punt.

Nebraska has more than twice as many players with starting experience as it did a year ago, which means that, as usual, the Cornhuskers should figure prominently in the Big Eight race.

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Tackle Chris Spachman (76) and monster Brian Washington (5) play major roles in the Cornhuskers' defense.

He doesn't look the part. But that has never stopped Oklahoma State's Pat Jones.

The Cowboys' head football coach is short, a little heavy around the middle and balding. But at 38, he is doing what he had planned to do since he was in the eighth grade. And doing it quite well.

In Jones' two years as coach, Oklahoma State has amassed an 18-6 record, played in two Gator Bowl games, finished in the nation's Top 10 one season and just missed the Top 20 in 1985.

There are no secrets to the success the Cowboys have enjoyed since he was hurriedly selected in a critical situation only three months before the opening of the 1984 season.

He sneaks out of the locker room . . . to stand alone and sing as the national anthem is being played. "I still get chills from that," he says.

Jones' philosophy is simple and is not new.

"I believe in a good defense, a solid kicking game and not beating yourself with turnovers," he says. "That's what Coach (Frank) Broyles (of Arkansas) and about every coach I've come to respect thinks about coaching football. Of course, success is also correlated with conditioning, morale and a certain amount of talent."

Erwin Patrick Jones, 38, was born in Memphis but spent his formative years in Arkansas. He has an impish charm and talks in rapid-fire bursts. Some friends refer to him as "a friendly lone wolf." He spent 10 years as an assistant coach. He says, "As an assistant, you're supposed to keep a low profile, and I was good at it."

However, he was not overlooked when Jimmy Johnson resigned as head coach in the first week of June 1984. In fact, the Cowboys hired Jones, an Oklahoma State aide for five seasons, just 48 hours after Johnson announced he was going to Miami of Florida.

Jones is the son of a Marine, and he calls his conference room "the war room."

He sneaks out of the locker room before each game to stand alone and sing as the national anthem is being played. "I still get chills from that," he says.

Jones' 1984 team posted a 10-2 record, losing only to Oklahoma and Nebraska. It was the Cowboys' best record since Jim Lookabaugh guided the 1945 team to a 9-0 mark that included a 47-0 rout of archrival Oklahoma and a 33-13 win over St. Mary's in the Sugar Bowl.

The '84 Cowboys were ranked seventh in the nation by the Associated Press and fifth by United Press International after a 21-14 victory over South Carolina in the Gator Bowl. Jones was UPI Big Eight Coach of the Year.

Oklahoma State lost its last three games in '85, including a 34-23 defeat by Florida State in the Gator Bowl. The Cowboys were ranked 19th in the nation before that game but dropped from the Top 20 in the final polls.

Still, Jones' record is the best in the school's history. His .750 winning percentage tops the previous high of .735 by Lynn "Pappy" Waldorf in 1929-33.

"I grew up in the shadow of a football stadium," Jones says. "In Little Rock, football was the only show in town."

As a youngster, he was the last to leave the practice field, describing himself as a "gym rat." Even then, he was preparing for a coaching career. "My friends weren't thinking about their careers but I was. When I was in the eighth grade, I would watch the coach and think, 'I can do that as well as he does.'"

Although Jones was an all-state offensive guard at Hall High in Little Rock in 1964, he was not recruited by Arkansas, where he had dreamed of playing. He was a nose guard at Arkansas Tech in 1965.

"I wasn't good enough to play at Arkansas," he says. Nevertheless, he transferred there as a walk-on. He believes the experience of being associated with a topflight football program was invaluable.

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Ronnie Williams hasn't necessarily passed expectations, but his performance last year was impressive.





Pat Jones must rebuild his offensive line, but he has a cornerstone in guard Doug Meacham.

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"Even if I never got in a game, I thought it was better to be at Arkansas, because my degree would be more prestigious and my contacts with coaches would be more helpful," Jones says.

After graduation from Arkansas, Jones returned to his high school alma mater as defensive coordinator for five years. In 1974 he became a graduate assistant under Broyles. Jones left Arkansas in 1976 and spent two years at SMU as defensive end coach and one season at Pittsburgh before coming to Oklahoma State as defensive coordinator and end coach.

"I consider this the greatest opportunity in my life," he says. "Our coaches and our players know how to win, and we're going to keep on winning."

Some observers believed Jones was going to be hired by Pittsburgh last season. He had been an assistant coach there. But the post went to Mike Gottfried of Kansas.

"I've never turned down a job because I had to move," Jones says. "I'm single. I just pack my gear and go."

Oklahoma State is glad he didn't leave before it had a chance to elevate him to head coach. He was an immediate success as the Cowboys trounced heavily favored Arizona State 45-3 in his first game.

Jones remains hard-driving. He gave copies of *In Search of Excellence* and *The One Minute Manager* to his assistant coaches.

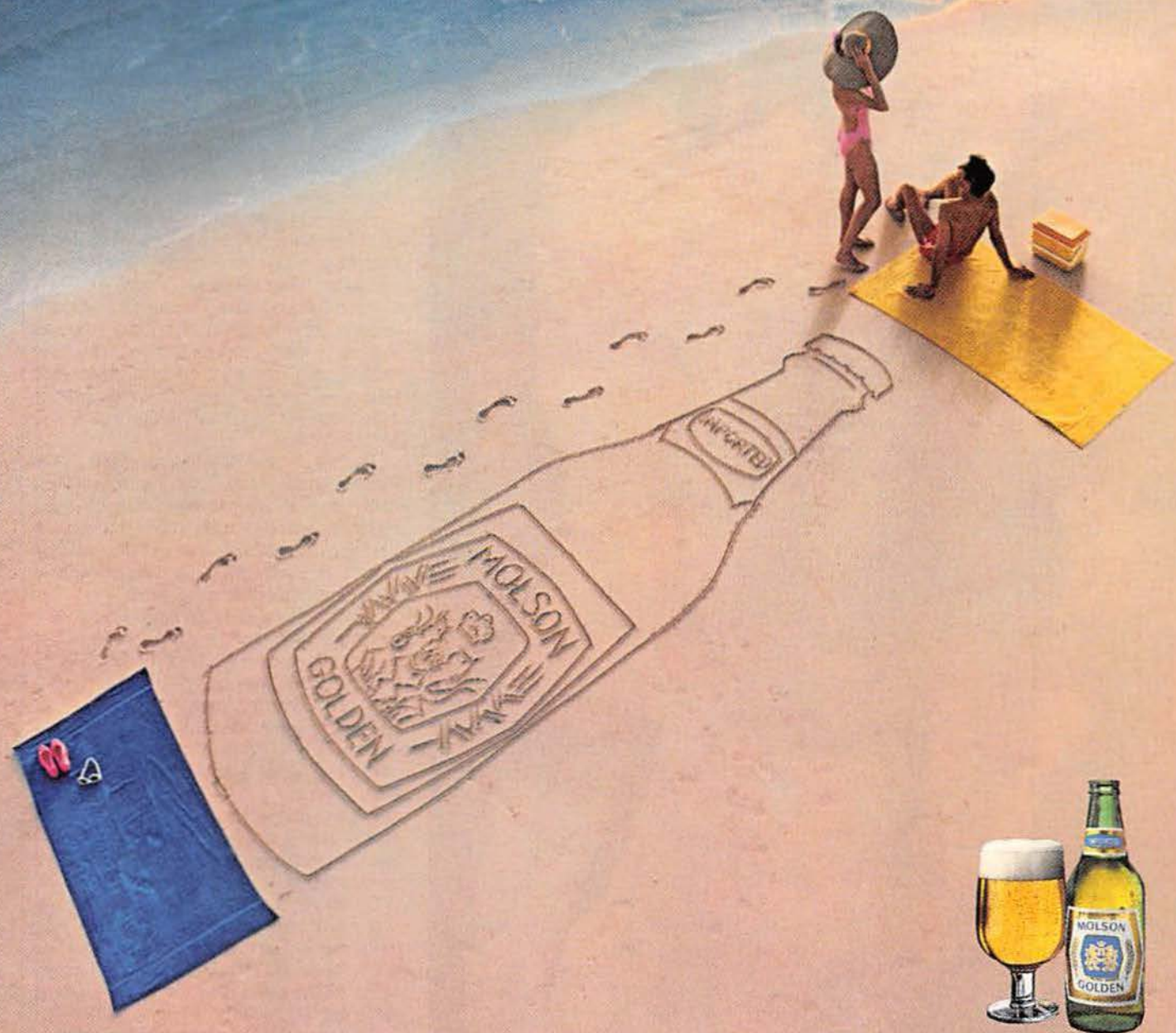
"The fear of not succeeding wakes me up every morning of my life," he says.

Jones has not succeeded in dethroning Oklahoma and Nebraska in the Big Eight. But Jones and Oklahoma State are not alone in that regard. The Sooners and Cornhuskers have won or shared the conference title every season since 1962.

The Cowboys were unbeaten and ranked fifth in the nation before bowing to Nebraska last October and losing to Oklahoma 13-0 on

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"Well, now that you've drawn my attention..."



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Bobby Riley stands first in pass receiving yardage on this Oklahoma State team.

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an icy field. But Oklahoma State has not defeated Nebraska since 1961 (they tied in 1973) and has beaten Oklahoma only once since 1966.

"The worst thing that could possibly happen is to get an obsession about beating Oklahoma and Nebraska," says Jones. "We want to win those games, certainly, and I want to be here when it happens. But meanwhile, we have to take care of business against everybody else. I've been hammering that into our players.

"Oklahoma and Nebraska have deep-seated traditions we can't match. We can't go back in history and find 47-game winning streaks or national championships. But we can start our own tradition. I hope we're on the verge of doing that right now."

The Cowboys have the misfortune of meeting the Sooners and the Cornhuskers in road games this season. They will face Tulsa, Houston, Louisville and Cincinnati in non-conference games.

Returning will be perhaps the most talented group of players at the offensive skill positions in Oklahoma State history and two all-conference performers on defense.

However, the offensive and defensive lines must be rebuilt. Only one '85 starter returns in each front. A key loss was two-time All-America defensive tackle Leslie O'Neal.

The most decorated returnee is All-America tailback Thurman Thomas, a junior who has rushed for 2,396 yards and 22 touchdowns in two seasons. He was fourth in the nation last season with 1,553 yards for an average of 141.2 yards per game, 5.2 yards per carry and 15 touchdowns.

The high school All-American from Willow Ridge in Missouri City, Texas, became the first freshman in 25 years to lead Oklahoma State in rushing, with 843 yards. The AP named him Big Eight Offensive Newcomer of the Year. He gained 155 yards in the 1984 Gator Bowl game and was Most Valuable Player.

Thomas started the '85 season in sensational fashion, rushing for his college career best of 237 yards in the 31-17 upset of Washington. Thomas has gained 100 yards or more in 10 of his last 16 games.

Other offensive standouts are junior quarterback Ronnie Williams and wide receivers Hart Lee Dykes, a sophomore, and Bobby Riley, a senior.

Williams passed for 1,506 yards and six TDs in nine games last season. His most impressive performance was a school-record 363 yards passing in the 34-24 loss to Nebraska.

Offensive coordinator Larry Coker says, "I've never been around a quarterback who made me feel so confident that he would do good things. He'll make mistakes, but he's smart, and we have not had to change anything in the offense because of him."

Riley was the Cowboys' leading receiver

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One reason Jo Jo Collins (16) caught only three passes was plays like this by William White of Ohio State.

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alternated with Weatherspoon. Junior halfback Sam Smith also returns.

J. J. Flannigan, a freshman from Pomona, Calif., is expected to contribute at halfback. He could be a kick returner, too. Another freshman, Sal Aunese, from Oceanside (Calif.)

Vista, could challenge Hatcher and Strait.

Ironically, the switch to a wishbone may have had the biggest effect on Colorado's defense, which improved from 88th in 1984 to 17th.

"Your defense takes on the personality of your offense," says McCartney, a former

Michigan defensive coordinator. "Before the wishbone, when we practiced, we did not develop the aggressiveness and toughness that it takes to play good defense. Practicing against the wishbone toughened us. We made more improvement on defense than on offense."

With eight starters back, defense again will be the Buffaloes' strength, according to McCartney.

The defensive leaders are junior strong safety Mickey Pruitt and senior inside linebacker Barry Remington (6-4, 225), a second-team All-Big Eight choice who led the team in tackles with 162, 83 unassisted. He also knocked down eight passes and forced six fumbles.

Pruitt, first-team all-conference, had 63 tackles despite playing the last half of the season with a fractured hand.

The other returning starters are linebackers Don DeLuzio (6-2, 220), a junior, and senior Darin Schubeck (6-2, 205), junior tackle Curt Koch (6-7, 260), junior nose tackle Kyle "the trash compactor" Rappold (5-11, 245), cornerback Solomon Wilcots, a senior, and junior free safety Rodney Rogers. DeLuzio was second in tackles with 141, 77 unassisted.

Koch, an amateur boxer and all-academic selection, made 66 tackles, including five sacks for losses totaling 29 yards.

Colorado's defense is complemented by junior Barry Helton, 1985 consensus All-American punter. He ranked second in the nation, averaging 46 yards on 52 punts. Helton was first in net punting (43.6), a category in which the Buffaloes were last in 1984.

Center Eric Coyle (69) takes the position that the middle is the wishbone's most important part.



Optimism is high at Colorado. The Buffaloes have a veteran defense, an outstanding punter and a quarterback who's come of age in the wishbone.

Senior placekicker Steve DeLine returns. He was ruled eligible to play when the NCAA reversed itself. He had originally been denied eligibility because he took a class in horseshoeing at Rocky Mountain College in 1981. An athlete's eligibility expires five years after the original date he enrolls, but the NCAA decided that DeLine's course was "vocational for purposes of NCAA legislation" and waived the five-year rule.

DeLine, who was suspended by Colorado last season, took the horseshoeing class to help him in work on his father's 2,200-acre cattle ranch.

Optimism is high at Colorado. The Buffaloes have a veteran defense, an outstanding punter and a quarterback who's come of age in the wishbone.

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The Wishbone Is In Again

by Mike Babcock

Make a wish. You're Colorado football Coach Bill McCartney and you've just suffered through a 1-10 season. Your team ranked 105th in the nation in rushing offense. There are 105 teams in Division I-A of the NCAA.

Analyzing the situation, you realize that among your limited assets are a young quarterback, Mark Hatcher, who was forced to

play running back for a season, and a pair of bruising fullbacks, Eric McCarty and Anthony Weatherspoon.

Your team lacks quality depth and the confidence that comes from winning at least once in a while. You desperately want immediate results. You must take measures that will enable you to compete.

You've begun talking to yourself: "Mac,

you're up against it. You'd better make the right decision or you're history, you're in the wind."

Make a wish. McCartney did.

Results were dramatic. Colorado enjoyed a 7-5 season, which included the school's first bowl game since the season of 1976. The Buffaloes finished ninth in the nation in rushing, averaging 259.8 yards per game on the ground, 200 more than the previous year.

McCartney, United Press International Big Eight Coach of the Year, made a wish... as in wishbone.

The wishbone, a T-formation-based, triple-option attack requiring a strong runner at quarterback and a hard-hitting fullback, was first used in college by Darrell Royal at Texas 18 years ago.

The Longhorns opened that season 0-1-1 before James Street became the quarterback and took them on a two-year, 20-game winning streak that was extended to 30 the year after he left. In 1969, Texas was voted national champion in both wire service polls and led the nation in rushing.

Another key figure in the Longhorn attack was Steve Worster, the first of three All-America fullbacks who led the way in the Texas wishbone. The others were Roosevelt Leaks and Earl Campbell.

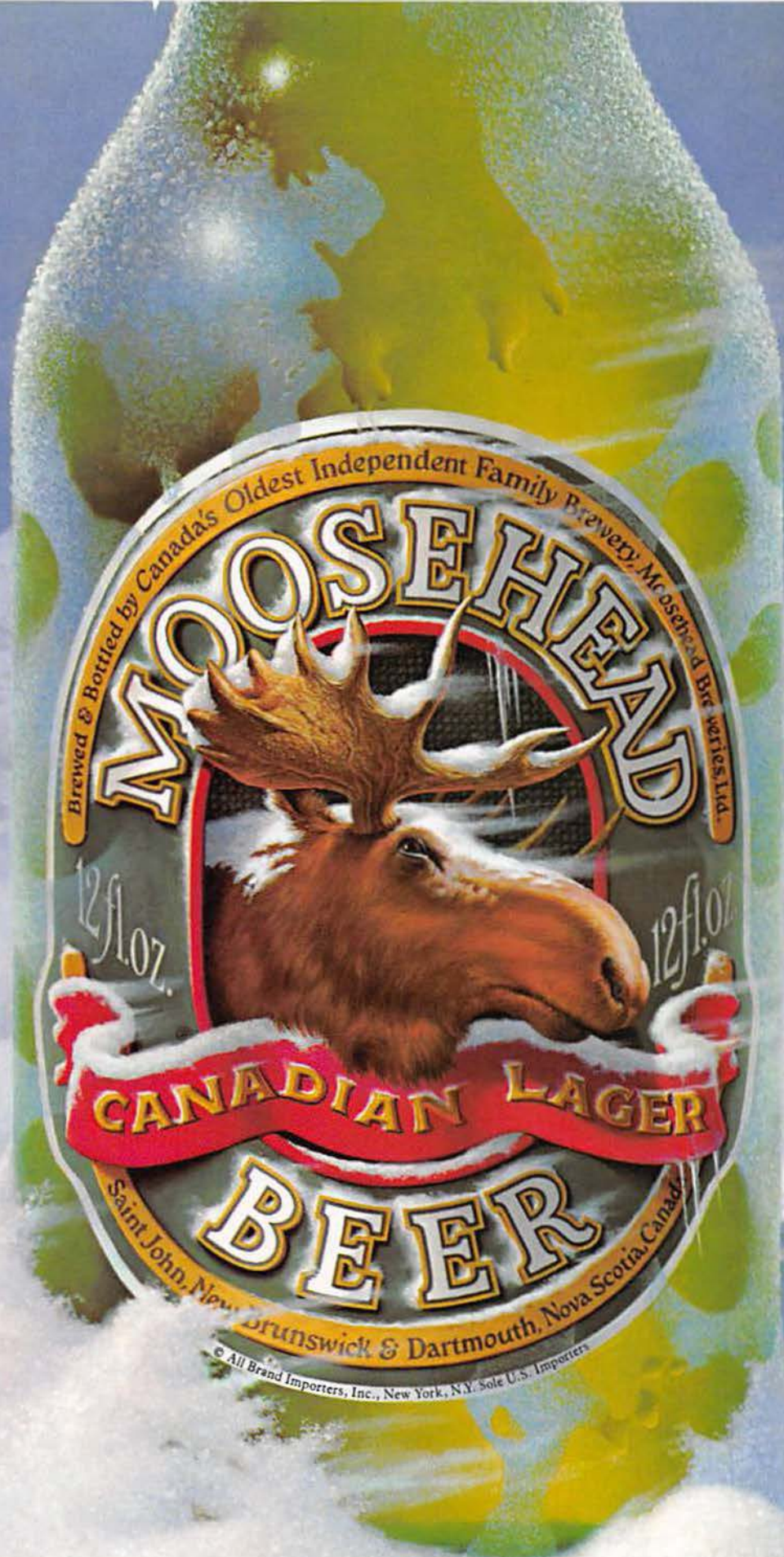
The wishbone quickly grew in popularity, thanks to the success not only of Texas but also Oklahoma. From 1971 to 1975, the Sooners rolled to a 54-3-1 record (though they had to forfeit three victories in 1972 because of an ineligible player). They won two national championships. They finished second, second, third, first and first in the final Associated Press polls. And in three of those five seasons they led the nation in rushing.

In 1972, seven of the teams that made the top 10 in NCAA rushing statistics used the wishbone. In 1974, one coach estimated that 90 percent of the major-college teams based their offenses on some form of the triple option: wishbone, veer, winged-T. In 1975, the NCAA identified 17 major colleges that ran the wish-

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Mark Hatcher (6), Eric McCarty (32) and Mike Marquez (20): It's no snap stopping their wishbone.





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bone. In 1976, the number had increased to 19.

Then, as Royal had predicted as far back as 1971, defenses began to catch up with the wishbone. The novelty wore off and its popularity declined. Even so, it remained effective for those that stuck with it. In 1979, four of the top five rushing teams ran the wishbone.

McCartney settled on the wishbone after deciding that Colorado needed some kind of option offense.

An option attack "allows you to employ blocking schemes that give you an advantage when you aren't quite as talented upfront," McCartney says. "You have angles and schemes that aren't available in other offenses. You're allowed to leave guys unblocked at the point of attack in an effort to double-up on other guys."

McCartney talked with coaches who had gone quickly from losing to winning at schools like Texas Christian, Minnesota, Army and the Air Force Academy, and decided his personnel was best suited to the wishbone.

Though only seven teams in Division I-A ran the wishbone in 1984, five went to bowl games.

McCartney didn't have to look far for evidence of what the wishbone could do. Just down the road from Boulder at Colorado

Springs, Air Force had made a dramatic turnaround using it. The Falcons, 9-24-1 in Ken Hatfield's first three seasons as head coach, went 8-5-0 and 10-2 in his last two seasons, success that has continued under Fisher DeBerry.

In the last four seasons, Air Force's record is 38-12, and the Falcons have won four bowl games. DeBerry's 1985 team finished 12-1 and was ranked fifth in the final UPI poll.

The wishbone played a big part in that success.

"If Air Force lined up in the I-formation, they wouldn't make 50 yards," says Oklahoma Coach Barry Switzer. Air Force, which doesn't recruit its football players, "looks like 140 walk-ons. But they do a great job of coaching and their offense is the equalizer. With the wishbone, you don't need physical linemen."

The Falcons have beaten physically superior Notre Dame four years in a row. They haven't done it on talent, though. Notre Dame perennially gets some of the top high school recruits in the country. "The only way they (the Falcons) could win was with the wishbone," Switzer says.

Air Force has been successful—"made a

living," according to McCartney—out of "taking guys who are undersized, and with big line splits and blocking schemes, competed above their ability."

Switzer, who probably knows as much about the wishbone as any coach, returned to the more traditional form of the offense in 1985 and won the national championship.

Oklahoma had gotten away from the wishbone for a brief time, switching to the I-formation to accommodate Marcus Dupree.

The Sooners' success in '85 illustrates the importance of the quarterback to a wishbone. The offense didn't kick into high gear until freshman Jamelle Holieway took the controls from Troy Aikman, a lanky quarterback whose skills are more suited to passing than running.

Aikman suffered a broken leg in the fourth quarter of Oklahoma's only loss of the season, to Miami. With Holieway making option decisions, the Sooners ranked third in the nation in rushing, averaging 335.8 yards.

Army, another team that has enjoyed success because of the wishbone, was second in rushing with a 336.4 average. Nebraska, an I-formation team, ranked first.

Cornhusker Coach Tom Osborne knows a

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In the win over SMU, Oklahoma's wishbone, featuring QB Jamelle Holieway (4), TE Keith Jackson (88) and HB Anthony Stafford (25), worked to perfection.





Air Force—with Pat Evans (36) et al—uses smaller athletes to great advantage in the wishbone.

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good deal about the wishbone, having had to defend against it nearly every year his team has played Big Eight rival Oklahoma.

According to Osborne, discipline is a key to stopping the wishbone. One mental mistake can lead to disaster. "You must have intelligent (defensive) players," he says. "It's not like many think. You don't just line up against the wishbone and tackle the guy with the ball."

Sometimes it's not clear who has the ball.

That's why in preparing for a wishbone team, Nebraska sometimes doesn't use a ball during practice. "That may sound crazy, but if you don't have a ball out there, everybody learns his responsibility," Osborne says. "The guy who has the fullback tackles the fullback. The guy who has the quarterback tackles the quarterback, and the guy who has the pitch man tackles the pitch man."

Without that discipline "maybe two people wind up going for the quarterback and nobody takes the pitch man," the Nebraska coach says.

"And if that happens, it turns into a footrace."

The wishbone stretches a defense.

Osborne explains: "At the start of the play, neither the fullback nor the quarterback knows what's going to happen. It's all predicated on what the defensive tackle does. If the tackle widens, the fullback is going to get the ball. If the tackle closes down, the quarterback keeps the ball, and then it depends on what the defensive end does. If the end goes for the quarterback, he's going to pitch the ball. If the end widens, the quarterback will keep it."

Even though wishbone quarterbacks are runners rather than passers, the formation creates an optimum passing situation.

Wishbone teams often get one-on-one coverage because so many defenders are involved in playing the run. "About the time you get everyone up playing the options, that's when some receiver releases and is suddenly 30 yards behind everybody, running right down the middle of the field," Osborne

says. "The passing game can kill you. They may throw it only three or four times, but if they hit two or three and they're 50- or 60-yarders, it can finish you."

Penn State can attest to that.

The Nittany Lions, who limited Holieway's options in the Orange Bowl, were burned early in the second quarter on a 71-yard touchdown pass from Holieway to tight end Keith Jackson. Oklahoma had faced third and 24.

Holieway attempted only five other passes, completing two for 20 yards. But the one completion was enough. It provided the Sooners with a 10-7 lead they never relinquished, winning 25-10.

Switching to the wishbone also had a positive effect on Colorado's defense. In fact, the Buffaloes' success in 1985 may have been due as much to a stronger defense as to a new offense. The wishbone is a "ball-control offense that tends to keep your defense off the field," McCartney says. A rested defense is a better defense.

Moreover, Colorado's offensive linemen weren't continually dropping back in pass protection. They were attacking, and "the aggressiveness of our offense rubbed off on the defense," McCartney says. "Our linemen love it because now they can fire out and hit people. I believe you win with defense, and the defense gets its personality from the offense."

The Buffaloes took opponents by surprise last season. That's one of the advantages of the wishbone, now that it's lost some of the popularity it enjoyed in the mid-1970s. According to the NCAA, only 11 Division I-A schools used the wishbone in 1985. Five ranked in the top 10 in rushing, however, and six played in bowl games.

"When Oklahoma was the only team we played that ran the wishbone and we didn't see it until the 11th game, they had a tremendous advantage," Osborne says. "We had only four practices to try and stop an entirely different offensive concept. But if you have three or four wishbone teams on your schedule, you figure out how to defense it."

Because of the fakes and the ball-handling involved in its execution, the wishbone is high-risk. Wishbone teams often are plagued by fumbles.

It's also not a good come-from-behind offense, and it lacks the run-pass diversity of other attacks. But it's been the salvation of several programs.

McCartney improvised during his first three seasons in Boulder, changing offensive philosophies to fit his personnel. In 1984, the Buffaloes passed because that's what quarterback Steve Vogel could do best, and they ran out of a one-back set because Lee Rouson was their only Big Eight-quality tailback.

With the wishbone, "we can continue to build over the years," McCartney says.

He made a wish. And it came true.

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aspect of my running. The holes only open for so long. If you don't have quickness, they'll collapse on you. I have confidence in my running ability and in my line."

That line includes senior tackle John Clay (6-5, 270), one of six returning offensive starters. Clay is a two-time All-Big Eight Conference selection and a second-team Associated Press All-America pick last season.

"John's got more ability than any lineman I've ever coached," says offensive coordinator Bill Meyers. "He's been outstanding at all times. I can't think of anything he can't master. He should be an All-American this year."

Other returning starters on offense are senior wide receiver Herbert "Junebug" Johnson and junior guards Phil Pettey (6-4, 270) and Jeff Rigman (6-2, 266).

Johnson, who spent four years in leg braces as a youth because of a congenital weakness, caught 49 passes for 806 yards and four touchdowns to rank second in the conference.

Missouri should benefit from the return of junior placekicker Tom Whelihan, who led the team in scoring with 64 points on 16 field goals and 16 conversion points. He set a school record with a 54-yard field goal.

The two-year quarterback battle between Marlon Adler and Warren Seitz ended simply because they completed their eligibility. Sophomore Ronnie Cameron apparently has inherited the job. The high school All-American played in nine games last season but completed only five of seven passes for 69 yards and one touchdown.

Eight starters, including five who started as freshmen in 1985, return from a defense that allowed 31.1 points a game, 97th of 105 Division I-A teams. The 1985 freshman starters were Darryl Darling (6-2, 240) at nose tackle, linebackers Steve Vandegrift (6-2, 237) and Terry Walker (6-1, 205), cornerback Cordell McKinney and Stan Long at strong safety.

Leading candidates for the other starting positions on offense are senior tight end Joe Close (6-4, 238) or senior Brent Peterson (6-4, 220), senior tackle Ted Romney (6-5, 265), senior center Dal Lockwood (6-6, 261) or senior Michael Scott (6-5, 270) and junior wide receiver Victor Moore. Scott was shifted from fullback. Senior Edesson or Redd may be the fullback. Peterson and Romney are transfers from Drake.

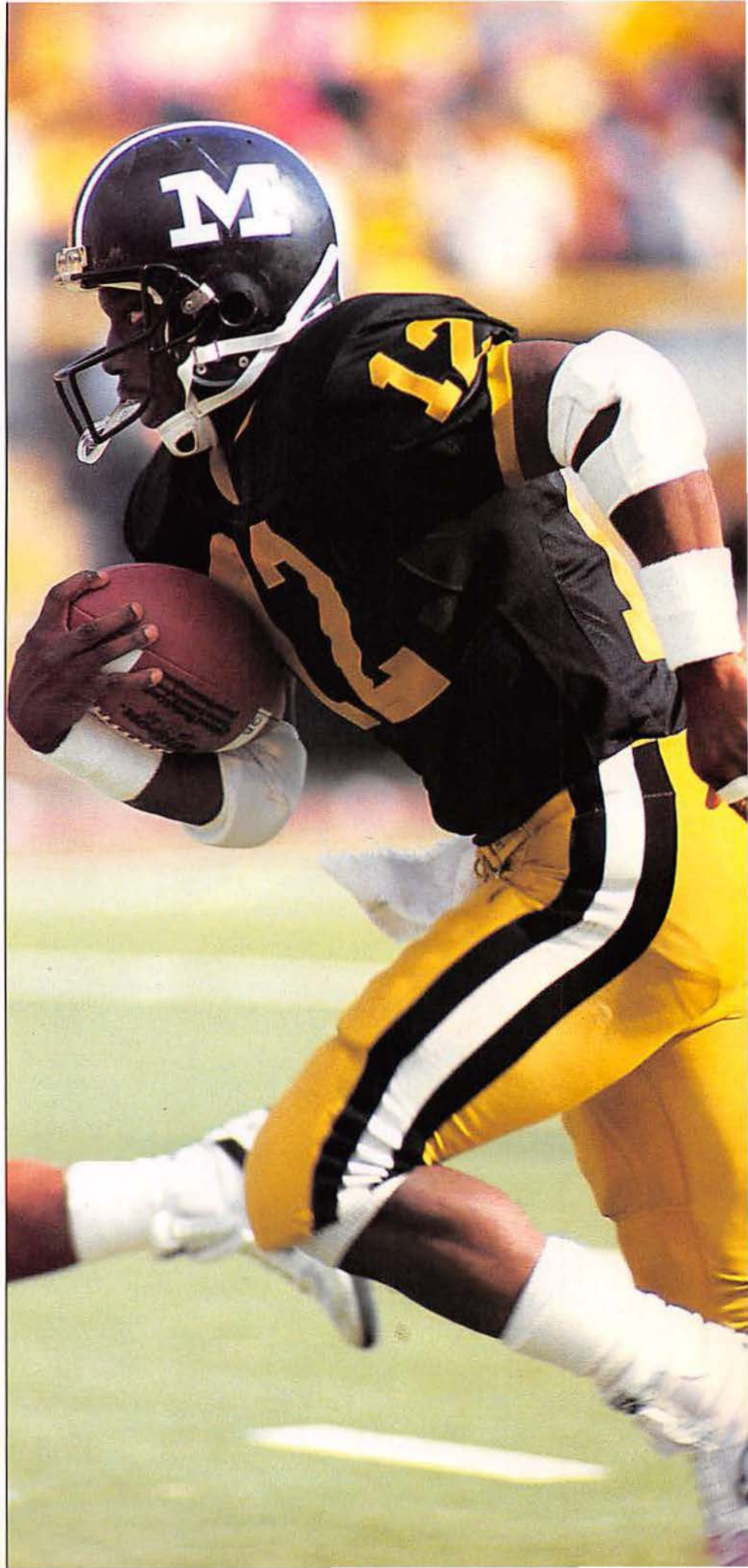
Other probables on defense are senior ends Dick Chapura (6-3, 260) and Scott Vollet (6-7, 259), senior linebackers Bo Sherrill (6-2, 232) and Mike Vestweber (6-2, 220) or junior Maurice Caracher (6-1, 209), junior strong safety Erik McMillan and sophomore Pat Ray at cornerback.

Wallace foresees a brighter future for the Tigers this season.

He says: "We're not going to let ourselves down. We're not going to let our fans down. We're going to bounce back."

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Herbert "Junebug" Johnson returns after setting a school record for most catches.





◀ *With his speed and power, Leon Perry surmounts some obstacles but not all.*

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that the quarterback-fullback exchange is the first and perhaps most vital option in the attack. Carr, who led Oklahoma in rushing as a freshman with 625 yards in 1984, rushed for 148 yards, and Perry, his understudy, gained 24 more.

"If you put Holieway at tailback in the I-formation, he would gain 1,600 yards," says Penn State Coach Joe Paterno. "He is that good. He is amazing. He is fast. He's elusive and he's quick. He's strong. He's the best wishbone quarterback I have ever seen."

Holieway will have plenty of help this season as the Sooners bid for second straight Big Eight and national titles.

Oklahoma lost only one starter on offense and only three from a defense that led the nation in total defense (193.5 yards average) and passing defense (103.6 yards) and ranked second in rushing defense (89.8 yards) and scoring defense (8.5 points). It was the first time one team ranked so high in four major defensive categories.

Five others of all-star caliber return, including All-America linebacker and 1985 Butkus Award winner Brian Bosworth (6-2, 235), a junior. The offense will be boosted by all-conference choices Keith Jackson (6-3, 241) at tight end, a junior, and Phillips and Hutson. Junior defensive end Darrell Reed (6-2, 211) was all-conference as a freshman and sophomore.

Senior Sonny Brown is a versatile safety and cornerback. Senior placekicker Tim Lashar has led Oklahoma in scoring the last two seasons.

Jackson caught only 20 passes for 486 yards and two touchdowns during the regular season. But he ran 88 yards for a touchdown on an end-around against Nebraska and caught a 71-yard touchdown pass from Holieway in the Orange Bowl. Many believe he is Oklahoma's best tight end ever.

Oklahoma could get a boost on offense if senior halfback Spencer Tillman, who rushed for 1,047 yards and scored 10 touchdowns as a freshman in 1983, returns to form after two seasons with hamstring problems.

Carr and Perry were Oklahoma's second- and third-leading rushers with 735 yards and 518 yards. Although Mitchel carried the ball only 43 times, he was Oklahoma's fifth-leading rusher with 282 yards (6.6 average).

Quarterbacks and fullbacks gained 70 percent of Oklahoma's rushing yardage.

Probable offensive starters are Holieway, Stafford or Tillman, Collins and Carr in the backfield; Jackson, tight end; senior Derrick Shepard, split end; junior Greg Johnson (6-4, 303) and junior Jon Phillips (6-4, 258), tackles; Hutson and Phillips, guards; and senior Travis Simpson (6-3, 263), center. On defense, they are Reed and junior Troy Johnson (6-2, 225), ends; senior Richard Reed (6-4, 258) and sophomore Tony Woods (6-5, 270), tackles;



Sophomore Anthony Stafford stepped out as a possible starter with an outstanding spring practice.

sophomore Curtice Williams (6-3, 256), nose guard; Bosworth and senior Paul Migliazzo (6-1, 222) or junior Dante Jones (6-2, 221), linebackers; junior Derrick Crudup and sophomore Derrick White, cornerbacks; and Brown and junior Ricky Dixon, safeties.

Eric Mitchel: Switzer is high on him.



The Sooners face a challenging non-conference schedule, meeting Pac-10 and Rose Bowl champion UCLA in the opening game in Norman, Texas and Miami of Florida, the only team to beat them in 1985.

Holieway will be ready. He worked hard on improving his passing in the spring. He completed only 41 percent for 517 yards and five touchdowns.

"Jamelle's a goal-oriented person," Donnan says. "He realized he had a chance to do more than he had planned on his freshman year after Kyle was injured. Then he knew he was only one play away from seeing action and got a lot of time and work in preseason that you wouldn't expect of a freshman. So it wasn't as if all of a sudden he knew he was going to play. We prepared him over six weeks."

"The one thing that stands apart for him is that he has a tremendous belief in himself. It carries over to the other players. Even if he does the wrong thing, they think it's right."

"He's one of the most positive people I've ever been around. He'll make the best of any situation. The bottom line is: We've got a guy in there at quarterback that essentially believes he can walk on water."

So Oklahoma appears to have it all at quarterback. Holieway may be the best option quarterback in wishbone history, and Mitchel may be the best athlete to play the position.

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The Jayhawks' offensive interior is well fortified with veterans, including tackle Jim Davis.

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starters return. They include tackles Jim Davis (6-6, 260), a junior, and senior Bob Pieper (6-5, 270); senior guard Bryan Howard (6-5, 260); and senior center Paul Oswald (6-4, 260). They helped provide the protection that enabled Kansas to lead the conference in passing with a 254.7-yard average.

Davis, a redshirted junior, has started for two seasons. He was second-team All-Big Eight in 1985 and earned freshman All-America recognition the year before. Pieper, also a two-year starter, was honorable mention All-Big Eight.

Oswald is coming off a knee injury that

Defensive lineman Phil Forte is a handy man to have around, since he plays end, guard and nose guard.



kept him sidelined for the last four games.

Sophomore Jim Shannon (6-5, 250) appears to have the inside track as the other starting guard.

Valesente says, "I think our offensive line has matured and will be a dominant factor in our ability to move the football."

The only other returning starter on offense is sophomore flanker Willie Vaughn, a converted quarterback who caught 28 passes for 441 yards and five touchdowns.

With eight 1985 regulars returning, the defense, says Ziegler, "is going to be the big key for us."

Split end Murphy Ray and tight ends Mark Parks (6-5, 220) and Brad Wedel (6-5, 210) are junior lettermen, giving Kansas an experienced receiving corps.

With eight 1985 regulars returning, the defense, says Ziegler, "is going to be the big key for us."

Kansas has switched to a 4-3 alignment, and all three linebackers have starting experience. Junior Rick Bredesen (6-1, 230) was second on the team in tackles with 121 (66 unassisted). Senior John Randolph (6-1, 230) was credited with 111 tackles and earned All-Big Eight honorable mention. Senior Darnell Williams (6-2, 228) made 85 tackles.

Kansas won't be able to replace Willie Pless, the Big Eight's all-time leading tackler, but Valesente says, "I think we're strong at linebacker."

Forte (6-3, 245) was second-team all-conference. He's played nose guard, defensive guard and end during his career. Junior tackle Eldridge Avery led the Jayhawks in sacks with five for losses totaling 29 yards.

The other returning starters on defense are junior tackle Steve Nave (6-2, 245), one of the strongest players on the team, and junior cornerback Milt Garner, who intercepted five passes and broke up four others.

Sophomore Scott Carlson (6-6, 230), junior Jon Stewart (6-4, 230) and senior Guy Gamble (6-3, 245) figure to see action at end. Though he hasn't been a starter, junior strong safety Marvin Mattox has earned two letters. Jamey Steinhauser, another strong safety, has lettered three times as has Ziegler's backup, Kevin Harder.

The Jayhawks are working to improve pass defense and in particular develop a better pass rush. Kansas ranked last in the Big Eight against the pass, giving up 53.3 percent of completions and 15 touchdowns.

Senior punter Rob Dickerson averaged 41.1 yards to rank fourth in the conference. Place-kicking probably will be handled by sophomore Chase Van Dyne, a backup last year.

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New Kansas Coach Bob Valesente wants his defense to come on like gangbusters. →



One can understand if Alex Espinoza is jealous of Iowa State opponents who quarterback their teams in bowl games. His goal is to help the Cyclones earn their first postseason bid since 1978.

"People don't realize we weren't too far away from a bowl bid last year," says Espinoza, who knows that even as a senior he still faces a battle for the starting job. "We won five games and lost six. We felt we should have defeated Drake and Missouri, and a 7-4 record should have gotten us a bid."

The 6-1 quarterback from East Los Angeles also blames part of Iowa State's woes on off-the-field problems. He doesn't mind talking about his own.

In the summer of 1985, Espinoza was arrested and charged with two counts of assault after a fight with two male students. He pleaded guilty, paid court costs, was required to perform community services and stayed on the team.

"We should be considered, along with Oklahoma State, as the team with the next-best chance in the Big Eight race."

"My legal problems definitely bothered me early in the season," Espinoza says. "Our first six games were at home, and I felt a lot of pressure from our fans because of my involvement in the assault cases. I was pressing too hard. We also suffered in early games because our best receivers either were off the team or injured."

"But we've come together as a team since then, and everyone is excited about this season. I want to make it a good year because it's my last. Nothing would be better than finishing high in the Big Eight standings and going to a bowl."

Last year Espinoza completed 159 of 330 passes (.482) for 1,704 yards and eight touchdowns. He has 3,284 yards passing, which places him third on Iowa State's career chart. He needs 821 yards to overtake David Archer, now of the Atlanta Falcons, for the school record. Espinoza also is 18th on the Big Eight's all-time chart.

Coach Jim Criner declines to say Espinoza will beat out Brett Sadek and Derek DeGennaro as No. 1 quarterback, but he does share his optimism.

"Naturally, Oklahoma and Nebraska are expected to be the top teams in the conference," Criner says. "Because of Colorado's 1985 success that put them into a bowl game (Freedom), they have to be rated third."

"After defeating Kansas State and Oklahoma State in our last two games, we should be considered, along with Oklahoma State, as the team with the next-best chance in the Big Eight race."

The Cyclone corps of wide receivers was depleted after Tracy Henderson and Robbie Minor were dismissed by Criner because his assistants reported insubordination during off-season weight lifting and other "voluntary" sessions.

All-Big Eight Henderson, who would have been a senior, signed a pro contract with the New York Giants. He was cut and played briefly for the Saskatchewan Roughriders in the Canadian Football League before being released again.

Minor, who had two seasons remaining, chose to contest his dismissal. He appeared before a special panel appointed by the Iowa State Athletic Council. That group ordered Criner to reinstate him. Minor rejoined the squad but soon was suspended again for alleged new violations.

Later, Criner relented and took Minor back on the squad, but he never saw action. In fact, he never even suited up for a game.

Hughes Suffren, who became the Cyclones' second-leading receiver with his play in the second half of the season, missed most of the first five games because of a stubborn hamstring injury. He did play in 10 games, limping noticeably in four of the first five. He wound up with 31 catches for 433 yards and four touchdowns. Suffren should be regarded as one of the conference's outstanding receivers in his junior season.

The Cyclones lost 21 seniors but only five starters. Only two first-team offensive players are gone from the lineup that started the 15-10 upset of Oklahoma State in

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At Iowa State, they expect Andrew Jackson to carry a big share of the load again.

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the 1985 finale. They are tight end Jeff Wodka, who beat out Suffren as the No. 1 receiver with 35 catches, and fullback Kirk Thomas.

On defense, all four of the top ends departed, as has strong safety Anthony Mayze.

Of 17 returning starters, Criner regards sophomore offensive tackle Keith Sims (6-3, 294) as the team's best bet for stardom this fall. Sims played at 317 pounds most of last season. Criner was asked if he has coined a catchy name for his beefy star—the Ice Box or the Kitchen Range or something like that.

"No, we haven't thought up anything fancy," laughs Criner. "That's up to the media. Besides, he doesn't weigh that much this year. He's down to 294. We think he should be All-Big Eight first team this year and maybe All-America before he graduates."

Criner likes to point out Sims bench-pressed 435 pounds and leg-lifted 905 pounds during winter workouts. Sims also had a 3.0 grade-point average after three semesters.

Criner believes his passing game will improve markedly this season with more stability among receivers.

"We'll miss Wodka, but Tom Stawniak (6-5, 235, junior) was No. 2 last season," he says. "Stawniak caught only one touchdown pass but he'll give us more speed. We also have Dave Benoit (6-5, 215, sophomore) and Marcus Lester (6-6, 225, redshirt freshman) at tight end.

"Suffren and (sophomore) Dennis Ross will return as our starting wide receivers, and we think we have recruited three fine junior college wide-outs in Tom Schulting (Diablo Valley, Calif., JC), Eddie Brown (Dodge City, Kan., CC) and David Talialuli (Snow, Utah, JC). Schulting broke the national junior college record by catching 93 passes."

The reason Criner insists there is still a three-way battle at quarterback is that Espinoza faces a stiff challenge from two players who have been college starters. DeGennaro, a junior, had taken over from Espinoza last season but suffered a broken left wrist in the Oklahoma game, his only start.

"Sadek transferred from Minnesota, and we know he's a strong, tough kid," Criner says. "He started several games for Minnesota before Rickey Foggie took over at quarterback.

"You have to be tough to handle the veer that Minnesota uses. Sadek also got permission to play ice hockey with our Iowa State team last winter. He's a winner and a good leader. He played for his dad (coach at Rosemount High, Apple Valley, Minn.). He's a strong passer who has two seasons left."

Best bet to replace Thomas at fullback is junior Don Poprilo, but sophomore Joe Henderson also returns. John Green is a junior college transfer expected to be in the fight. Poprilo carried only 12 times for 28 yards.

The other offensive spots:

Tailback—Senior Andrew Jackson and

sophomore Marques Rodgers return. Jackson led rushers in 1985 with 415 yards (3.7 average). Rodgers was third with 323 yards (3.4). Freshman Sylvester Nickerson has great speed but didn't play last season because of injury. Curtis Warren is a highly regarded transfer from Northeast Oklahoma Junior College.

Tackles—Sims and senior Brett Lawrence (6-3, 255) are the returning starters, but their backups are gone. Two freshmen who were redshirted figure to provide relief: Dave Martin (6-6, 265) and Brian Barkley (6-5, 260).

Guards—As with the tackle spots, senior starters Eric Huhndorf (6-4, 272) and Vince Jasper (6-3, 260) return. Their subs also are gone, so Criner is counting on second-year freshman Eric Holm (6-5, 250) and Ricky Wells (6-3, 265), who transferred from San Bernardino Valley JC.

Center—Senior Channon Mawdsley (6-3, 259) is a returning starter. Several underclassmen are vying for the backup spot.

Criner doesn't have to worry about the kicking game. It could be wrapped up in one package. Rick Frank handles the punting and placekicking. Frank, a senior, averaged 40.4 yards on 69 punts. He was 14 of 15 on extra points and 11 of 16 on field goals.

Criner says replacing the ends will be the big job on defense. He also may do some

shuffling of defensive backs to make up for the loss of Mayze at strong safety. Here is how the defense stacks up:

Ends—Gone are starters Lester Williams, who led linemen in tackles with 75, and Jim Luebbers, who had 62. The leading reserves also are missing. Iowa State landed junior college ends who should take over. They are Paul Serina (6-2, 232, Pierce, Calif., CC) and Robert Dabney (6-4, 220, Triton, Ill., JC). Ken Sandbloom (6-5, 255, Golden West, Calif., JC) was recruited as a defensive tackle, but he may be mobile enough to play end.

Tackles—Senior starters Greg Liter (6-6, 260) and Bill Berthusen (6-5, 285) head the list. Liter had 69 tackles and Berthusen 56.

Linebackers—The Cyclones lost only one of their top six at the three spots. Senior Dennis Gibson (6-3, 225) surprised many observers by being the team's leading tackler with 96 stops, beating out senior Jeff Braswell (6-1, 224), the regular middle linebacker who had 82. Senior Randy Richards (6-3, 217), who had 33, returns at the other outside spot. Also back are juniors James Butler (6-3, 189), Chris Moore (6-2, 213) and Tim Niggeling (6-2, 217).

Cornerbacks—The top four return and they're all seniors: Terrence Anthony and Terry Sheffey on the right side, and Milon Pitts and Aaron Manning on the left. Criner may move

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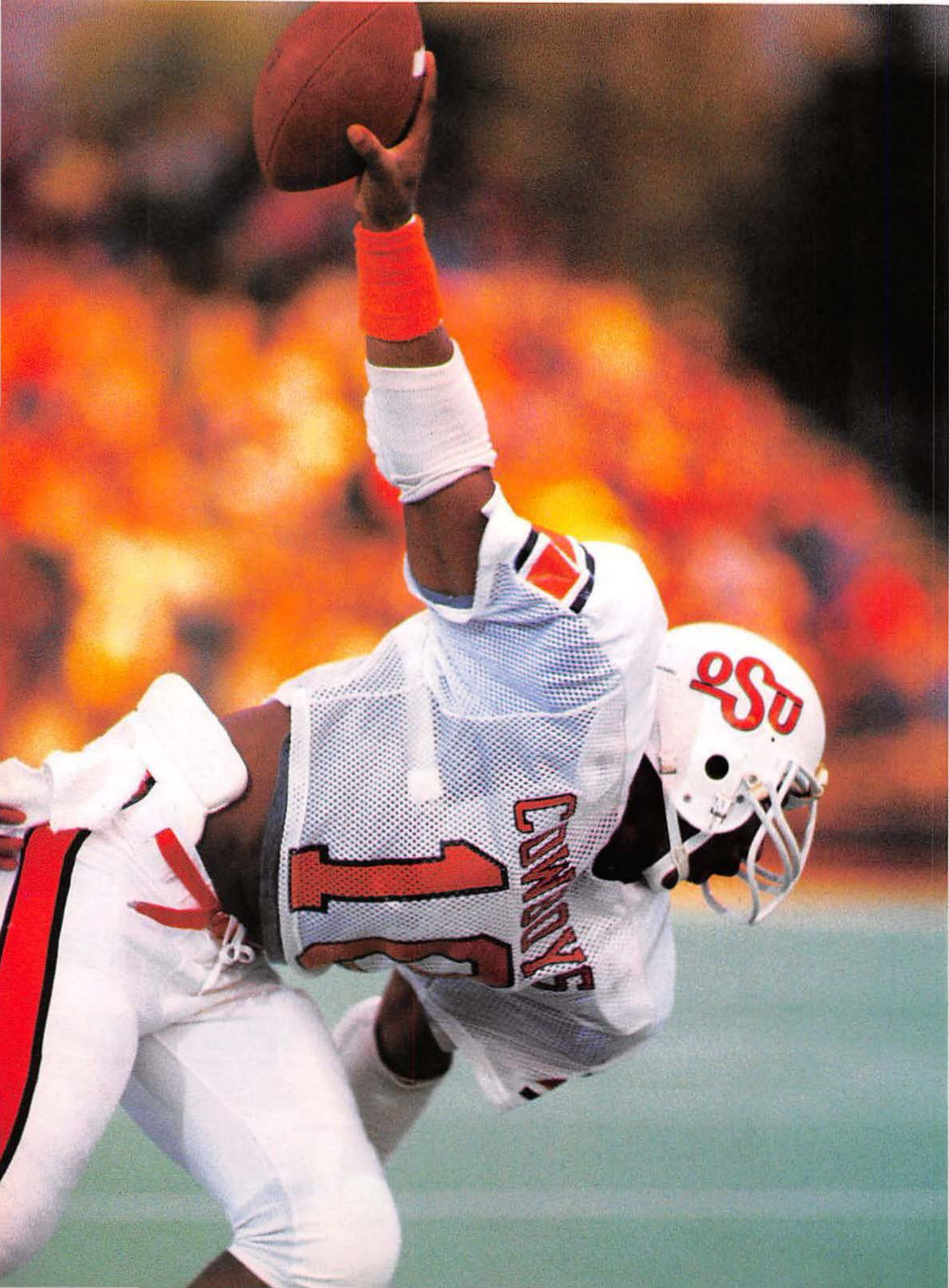
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← *Coming up with the ball is something strong safety Mike Hudson likes to do in the clutch.*

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last season with 33 catches for 610 yards (an average of 18.5 yards per reception) and two TDs. Dykes was a high school All-American and the Cowboys' top recruit last year. However, the 6-4 Bay City, Texas, product played in only seven games because of a stress fracture in his right foot. He caught eight passes for 101 yards.

All-America free safety Mark Moore and All-Big Eight strong safety Mike Hudson, both seniors, boost the defense. Oklahoma State also returns sophomore cornerback Melvin Gilliam, a high school All-American, who became the first player to start as a freshman in football and basketball in the Big Eight in 25 years.

Moore had 91 tackles, and his seven interceptions placed him fifth in the nation.

Returning starters in the lines are junior offensive guard Doug Meacham (6-3, 250) and senior defensive tackle Leonard Jackson (6-2, 240).

Probable Cowboy offensive starters include Dykes, split end; Riley, flanker; junior J.R. Dillard (6-4, 245), tight end; sophomores Mike Wolfe (6-5, 255) and Byron Woodard (6-3, 297), tackles; Meacham and sophomore Chris Stanley (6-5, 250), guards; senior Tony Wilkins (6-2, 248), center; Williams, quarterback; Thomas, tailback; and senior Will Timmons, fullback.

Defensive regulars apparently will be juniors Ricky Shaw (6-4, 220) and Ron Williams (6-3, 215), ends; Jackson and freshman David Bailey (6-4, 226), tackles; sophomore Marcus Jones (6-2, 245), nose guard; junior Robert Nunn (6-3, 230) and senior Bouncer Schiro (6-1, 225), linebackers; Gilliam and senior Demise Williams, cornerbacks; and Moore and Hudson at safeties.

Jones has boosted Oklahoma State's hopes for more success and has rekindled the school's pride.

"When he put on that baggy Oklahoma Aggies sweater last year, he underscored his pride in the school's tradition," wrote Mike Sowell of *The Tulsa Tribune*. "He made it popular to be an Aggie, just as it was in the day when Henry Iba was leading Oklahoma A&M to back-to-back national basketball championships in 1945-46."

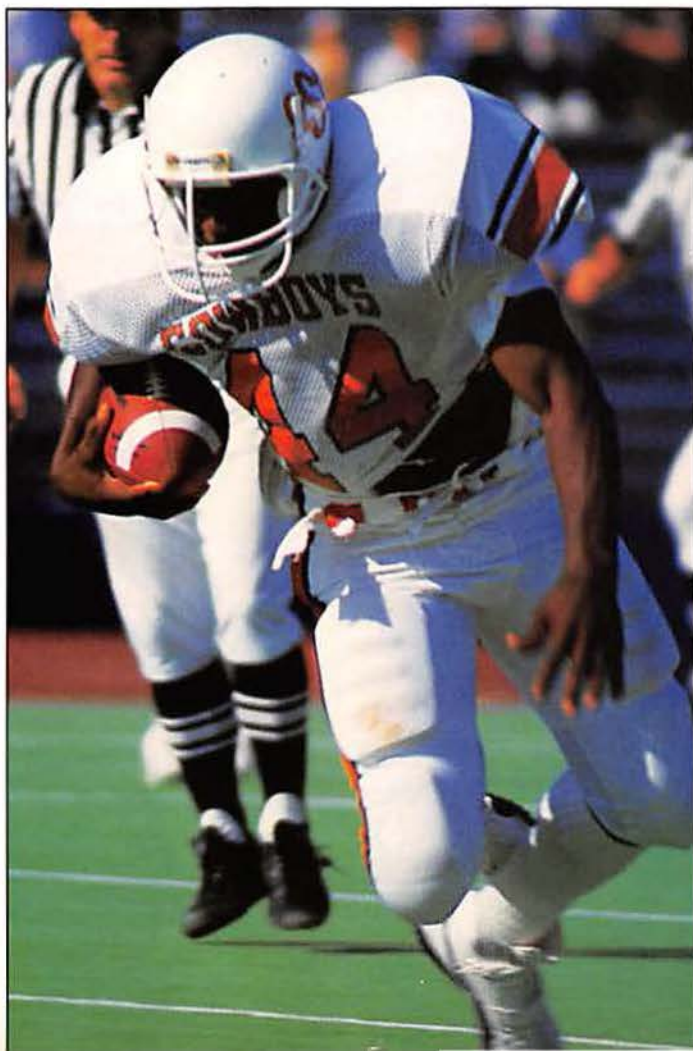
In fact, Jones says Iba played a role in his staying at Oklahoma State. Iba's picture and "The Winning Edge," a one-page plan by Jim Mackenzie, late Oklahoma coach, are prominently displayed on the wall in his office.

"I talk a lot of things over with Mr. Iba," Jones says.

Jones has not established himself at Oklahoma State as Iba did. But his start is impressive.

"One of the first things I tell them at alumni meetings is that it took this university 83 years to win 10 games in a season," Jones says. "I don't want them to get spoiled."

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Cornerback Demise Williams (above) uses his speed to harass punters. Free safety Mark Moore (left) is the bane of quarterbacks with his seven interceptions.

Huskers Will Be Very Good But Sooners Will Be Better

by Jerry McCain
Publisher

Looking for variety? Try the weather. The football forecast in the Big Eight is a lot like last year.

Oklahoma is the favorite again. Nebraska will be very good—as usual. Oklahoma State is tough enough to whip most opponents and challenge those at the top. It was that way last year. Colorado is coming on. That's no different. It wasn't a stampede, but the Buffaloes stormed in fourth in 1985.

Defending national champion Oklahoma has a multitalented team with 57 lettermen,

The Sooners knock around some foes and out-quick others. Some they sweep past with a fire engine offense. Some they stun with unexpected passes. Some they butt backwards with the best defense in America.

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other active coaches in major college football.

The Sooners win with speed and striking power, reaction and intensity, good planning and proud players. All-America linebacker Brian Bosworth was Big Eight Defensive Player of the Year as a sophomore. He won the Butkus Award as the best linebacker in the country. His goal is to be better.

Switzer has been fretting about rebuilding in the Oklahoma defensive front. It could be nose guard Curtice Williams won't be quite as good as All-American Tony Casillas (recipient of the Lombardi Award, who was a second selection in the NFL draft).

Eight returning regulars will help Switzer make the Oklahoma defense decent. End Darrell Reed and defensive backs Ricky Dixon and Sonny Brown are all-conference types.

On offense, the Sooners feature quarterback Jamelle Holieway, tight end Keith Jackson and guards Anthony Phillips and Mark Hutson. As a freshman last year, Holieway led Oklahoma in rushing with the third highest quarterback yardage total in school history.

At Nebraska, Tom Osborne has won 80.5 percent of his games. He's third on the national list, just behind Joe Paterno of Penn State.

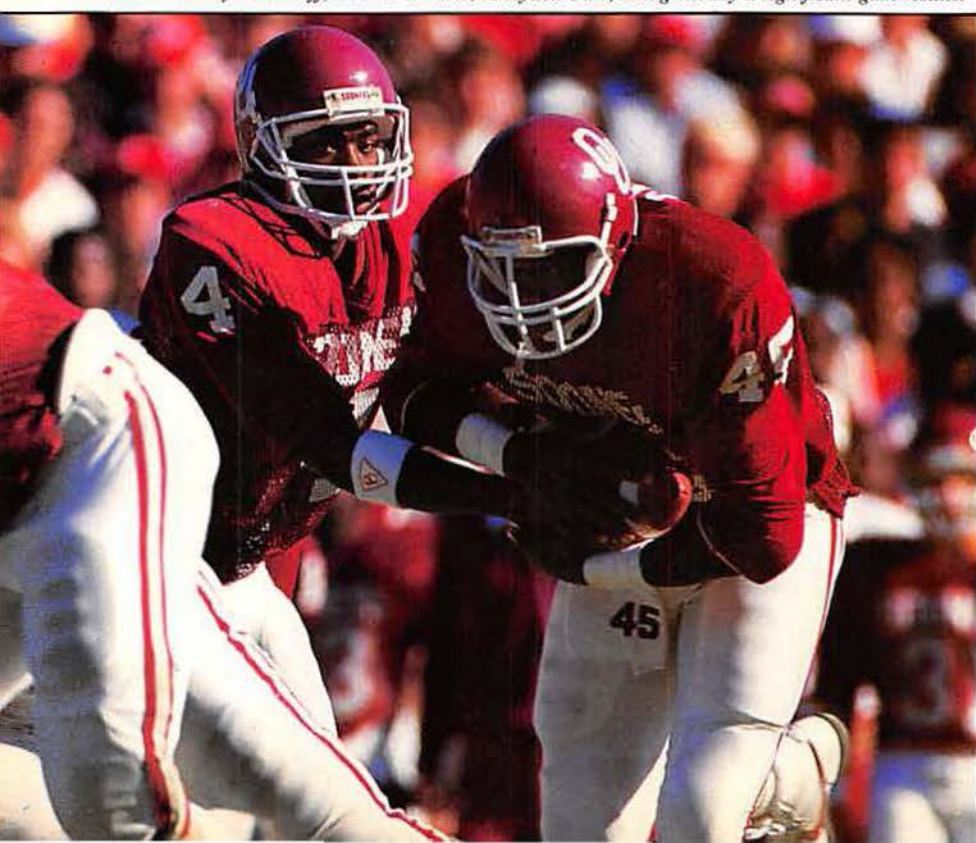
Osborne has one small advantage this year. Oklahoma has to come to Nebraska to play. Mark the date with a red circle: Nov. 22 for the championship.

The Cornhuskers will be powerful on offense. The running attack, best in America a year ago, is again a mix of swiftness and crunch. Tackle Tom Welter (6-4, 275) and running back Doug DuBose are the stars. DuBose warmed up for his senior season by twice going over 1000 yards. Already he is No. 6 in career rushing.

Nebraska wingbacks are weapons. Von Sheppard averaged 14 yards on 21 carries

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Jamelle Holieway hands off, Sooner or later, to Lydell Carr, and generally a significant gain results.



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man, and he wanted to see what was going on in the world around him.

Now, he even allows his son to accompany him back to the office after dinner during the recruiting season to do his homework in the outer office, while Bo is inside trying to sign up the top talent in the land. These things would have never happened in the past. Sometimes it would be weeks before father and son even sat down to a bowl of cornflakes.

Millie would like her husband home even more than he is. Speaking like a true wife, she says: "I have the same number of hours in my day that Bo does, but I don't have all the exciting things going on that he does to fill up those hours. I get a little lonely at times." But she understands her husband and the demands of his job, and she supports him in

every way possible. She is very proud of him.

The records show that the graduation rate of Schembechler's football players is 10 percent higher than the rest of the student body at Michigan, a school of high academic standards. At this particular moment, Bo was deeply involved with one of his former players, who lives in California. The young man and his mother were both fighting terminal cancer, and Bo was doing all he could to help them. Nobody knew it because he doesn't talk about these things. He was doing it as he does everything else of this nature: without fanfare.

This is a man who does not need the headlines for his psyche. He lives in the same house he did when he came to Ann Arbor 17 years ago, even though his income has risen from \$21,000 that first year to over \$200,000,

which he now earns from all of his ventures. Money has never meant much to him except as a symbol of his success. He'd just like to be paid as much as the Paternos and the Switzers. He doesn't buy new clothes or new cars, and a plate of macaroni holds as much appeal to him as a 16-ounce sirloin. The only thing he has done to his house is add a room to the back, which means he can now talk to his recruits above ground instead of taking them down to the basement.

When Texas A&M offered Bo that multi-million-dollar lifetime contract several years ago, he turned it down because no amount of money could buy the loyalty he felt in Ann Arbor.

"How could I walk out on my players after I recruited them with the idea I would be coaching them?" he said.

Some did not believe he could take such a lofty stand, but they were the ones who did not know this man.

He thought long and hard about the offer but only from the standpoint of how it would secure the future for his family. "I still can't eat more than three meals a day, no matter how much they pay me," he said.

He finally decided to turn it down, explaining: "I thought about my sons (Millie has three from a previous marriage), and I could see them riding around town in new cars. I could see them feeling pretty good about everything. But they wouldn't have been earning it themselves, and the money wouldn't have much meaning for them."

Bo was getting ready to take his wife on a midwinter vacation—just the two of them—to a friend's home in Florida. This was another thing he never did in the past. Now, he was looking forward to it. "We have a great time down there," he says. "We get up early and watch the sun come up over the water; and then we go for a long walk or maybe take a bike ride. Then we play a little or swim a little and do some reading."

Few could ever remember him relaxing for even five minutes. He got so wound up with his career that he would forget names, dates and places.

The following incident actually happened. It happened while we were writing a book together.

Falls: "Bo, we've got to mention your first marriage, even though it ended in divorce." He was married to Woody Hayes' secretary when he was an assistant under Woody at Ohio State.

Schembechler: Silence.

Falls: "Bo, we've got to mention it because if we don't, the book will lose credibility. People will wonder what else we've left out."

Schembechler: Silence.

Falls: "Bo! . . . the name of your first wife!"

Schembechler: "I'm thinking. I'm thinking. I know she liked horses . . ."

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The Last Horseman

by Fred Russell

Notre Dame lost the last living member of its unforgettable Four Horsemen backfield, and football lost one of its wittiest characters when Jim Crowley died last Jan. 15 at 83.

Crowley, Harry Stuhldreher, Don Miller and Elmer Layden were immortalized by Grantland Rice's lead paragraph of his *New York Herald Tribune* game story on Notre Dame's 13-7 victory over Army in 1924:

"Outlined against a blue-gray October sky, the Four Horsemen rode again. In dramatic lore they are known as Famine, Pestilence, Destruction and Death. These are only aliases. Their real names are Stuhldreher, Miller, Crowley and Layden. ..."

Many years later Rice revealed that the idea for such a lead came to him in the fall of 1923, when he actually passed up a World Series baseball game at the Polo Grounds to see Notre Dame against Army at Ebbets Field in Brooklyn.

"I had a sideline pass and covered the game from the rim of the playing field," Rice said. "In one wild end run, the Irish backfield roared toward me, and at least two of them jumped over me as I was down on my knees. It was like a wild-horse stampede, and that thought stayed in the back of my mind for a year."

On the Monday following the game, after the Notre Dame squad had arrived by train at South Bend, a student and part-time publicity worker named George Strickler, later to become sports editor of the *Chicago Tribune*, showed up at the practice field with four saddled horses. He posed the backfield in full football regalia atop the horses, which he had borrowed from his dad's livery stable.

The photo was carried nationwide in newspapers. Hundreds of prints were purchased from Strickler, and today it remains a prized football memento.

Certainly the weight of Notre Dame's backfield did not burden Strickler's horses. Layden and Crowley at 162 pounds were the heaviest of the group. Miller played at 160 and Stuhldreher at 156. All but Miller were selected All-Americans in 1924, and all four are in college football's Hall of Fame.

In his autobiography, *The Turmoil and the Shouting*, Rice wrote of a reunion he had with the Four Horsemen when Miller talked about their coach, Knute Rockne, and the secret of the 1924 team's unbeaten season and 27-10 win over Stanford in the Rose Bowl.

"Rock's entire attack was based on speed and deception," Miller said. "We breathed and lived Rock's rhythm and cadence, and then play execution followed. All of us could block."

"Another thing," added Layden, "was that Rock used to load us down with extra-heavy practice gear. On Saturday, when we climbed into game suits, we felt like four Lady Godivas."

"That's right," said Crowley. "We were not any faster but we sure felt faster. Psychologically, it was great."

All the Horsemen agreed that Rice had conferred immortality on them. "We were good," said Miller, "but we'd have been just as dead two years after graduation—and we all did graduate—as any other backfield if Granny hadn't put that tag line on us. Through the years it opened countless doors for us."

What guided the Four Horsemen to South Bend as freshmen in 1921? Miller was destined for Notre Dame from birth. All the Miller family males (there were four football-playing brothers) in Defiance, Ohio, had gone there from genera-



Jim Crowley of Notre Dame became a legend.

tion to generation. Stuhldreher, from Massillon, Ohio, followed a brother to Notre Dame. Crowley, who was raised in Green Bay, Wis., went there because his high school coach, Curly Lambeau (founder and longtime coach of the Green Bay Packers), had played under Rockne. Layden, from Davenport, Iowa, just happened along for no special reason except that the name Notre Dame lured him.

Even Rockne didn't dream what he possessed when the future Horsemen were sophomores. He had two backfield holdovers, Frank Thomas at quarterback, later to become Alabama's renowned coach, and fullback Paul Castner, a left-footed punter. Miller was the first sophomore to get a regular berth, at right half. Crowley and Layden shared the left half spot. Stuhldreher soon was moved ahead of Thomas at quarterback.

In the Butler game in 1922, Castner broke his hip. Rockne put Layden at fullback. The Horsemen in three seasons lost only two games, both to Nebraska.

The Four Horsemen of 1924 might not have been the best backfield that college football ever saw, but certainly pound for pound they stand alone.

"For real athletes you had to hand it to that

bunch," Rockne said in an interview not long before he died in a plane crash in March, 1931. "They were wonderfully poised, mentally and physically. They seemed to be able to move the ball whenever they wanted to."

Crowley, a sought-after public speaker throughout his life, simplified his coach's assessment: "We didn't get in each other's way. Each of us knew exactly how the other three would react in a given situation."

Rockne called Crowley "the greatest interferer for his weight the game ever saw." And yet, as a player, he got the nickname "Sleepy Jim." "Mainly, I think, because of my lazy stance," he once explained. "I had a way of slouching limply while waiting for the starting cue. It relaxed my muscles."

Dynamic quarterback Stuhldreher, who kept the backfield alert with his chatter, once suggested that Crowley get a job as "a tester for an alarm clock factory."

The quietest Horseman was Layden. It was he who scored three touchdowns against Stanford and famed fullback Ernie Nevers in the Rose Bowl on Jan. 1, 1925, a feat especially satisfying to Rockne because his archrival, Glenn "Pop" Warner, coached Stanford.

An uninformed researcher today would be puzzled in noting Notre Dame's starting 11 in the Rose Bowl: Crowe, Boland, Eggert, Harmon, Maxwell, McManmon and Eaton in the line, and Scharer, Hearnden, O'Boyle and Cerney in the backfield. "Rockne started the game with his 'shock troops,' his second team," explained author-historian George Leonard in his book, *Big Bowl Football*. "His objective was to wear down the enemy as much as possible and perhaps present the ball to the varsity in an advantageous position when it appeared on the field."

The "shock troops" hardly could complain about getting no publicity. They realized that the Seven Mules in the varsity line in front of the Four Horsemen were virtually unknown, too. Probably no fan today could name them: Collins and Hunsinger at ends, Rip Miller and Bach at tackles, Kizer and Weibel at guards and Walsh at center.

Some of the Mules and all the Horsemen returned to California for the entire summer of 1931, following Rockne's death, making the movie *The Spirit of Notre Dame*—and doing it for nothing but their expenses. Lew Ayres was in it. Universal reportedly made about \$4 million on the picture. Mrs. Rockne got close to \$200,000 on her part, setting her up comfortably for the rest of her life.

Crowley and actor Pat O'Brien were the only people who could imitate Rockne to perfection. Through the years, Crowley's never-failing smash hit was to impersonate Rockne, going around to the players saying, "You are capable of playing much better," or "You're not thinking out there." Finally, he would get around to himself and, still imitating Rockne's voice, would say: "And as for you, Jimmy, go out and play another brilliant game."

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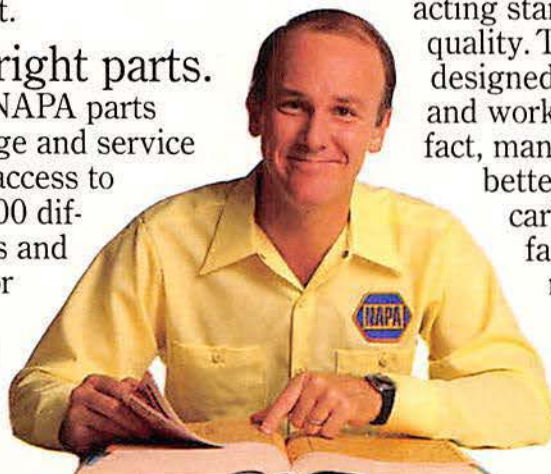


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Surrounded by Sooners, Wilkinson (to the right of 1953 All-America guard J.D. Roberts, No. 64) celebrated a win on the way to 47 straight.

BUD WILKINSON He Began a Dynasty

by Tim Cohane

In 50 years of covering college football I never saw anything to surpass the story at Owen Field in Norman, home of the Oklahoma team, on Saturday, Nov. 16, 1957.

It was a magnificent, cool, crystal-clear day, appropriate to dramatic events. To the celebration of Statehood Day, the 50th anniversary of Oklahoma's entrance into the union. To the end of Oklahoma's record of 47 straight victories. Notre Dame won 7-0 on a late last-quarter drive as a then-record Norman sellout of 63,170 sat unbelieving. After the game, Coach Bud Wilkinson closed the Sooner dressing room to everybody but his squad.

"You have done something," he said, "that no other major college football team has ever done—or ever will do again. You won 47 straight football games. I am proud of you. You have been just as much a part of this as any other Oklahoma team. The only ones who never lose are the ones who never play."

When Wilkinson two years ago received the American College Football Coaches Association's most prestigious tribute, the Amos Alonzo Stagg Award for long and distinguished service to the game, Dave Maurer, then Wittenberg coach, who made the presentation,

said: "There simply is not time enough to cite all of the man's accomplishments." And there's space enough here for only a partial list.

- As the nation's No. 1 glamour boys, his teams gave the state a prideful program to dispel the image of *The Grapes of Wrath*.
- Three national champions: 1950, 1955 and 1956.
- Eleven straight years, 1948-58, in the Top 10.
- A 47-game winning streak (1953-57), the prelude to which was a string of 31 wins (1948-50) ended by Kentucky in the Sugar Bowl in 1951.
- A 17-year (1947-63) record of 145-29-4 for a percentage of .826.
- A 6-2 record in major bowls.
- Coach of the Year in 1949.
- From 1947 through 1959, his teams won 13 straight conference titles, the last 12 outright, and played 71 successive conference games without defeat.
- By his example of hard work he forced the Seven Dwarfs, as the rest of the Big Eight had come to be known, to improve their programs until the conference became one of the country's strongest.

In evaluating a coach, his won-lost record provides a less accurate index than how he performs in adversity. On that basis, Wilkinson did his finest coaching job in 1961. In 1960 he had experienced his only losing season: 3-6-1 overall and 2-4-1 in the Big Eight for a fifth-place league finish. Prospects for 1961 were pastel. Recruiting harvests were no longer lush. Injuries in unprecedented numbers plagued key players. The Sooners lacked size, line depth and overall speed.

They lost their first five games: to Notre Dame 19-6, Iowa State 21-15, Texas 28-7, Kansas 10-0 and Colorado 22-14. At the team's Sunday morning meeting after the Colorado game, Wilkinson told his men that they would win their last five games, even though the first four would be on the road. He then repeated the prediction on his Sunday afternoon statewide TV show. (Of course, if Oklahoma had been 5-0 instead of 0-5, the conservative Wilkinson would never have made such a statement, no matter what he thought.)

"It braced us remarkably," said quarterback Bob Page. "Bud knew we were improving and we could sense it, too. We were making fewer errors and becoming more consistent."

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(Bud Wilkinson continued)

Lo and also behold, Oklahoma fulfilled the seemingly mad prophecy by beating Kansas State 17-6, Missouri 7-0, Army 14-8, Nebraska 21-14 and Oklahoma State 21-13. Of those five foes, Missouri, Army and Nebraska outpersonneled the Sooners. So this 5-5 team, November champions, went down in Oklahoma annals as "The 125 Percent Men." Darrell Royal, Wilkinson's old quarterback and by then becoming a dynastic coach himself at Texas, summed it up:

"To lose the first five and then come back and win the second five tells me that under the most trying circumstances a coach has maintained control of the situation. It takes leadership to do that."

As both coach and athletic director, Wilkinson leaned heavily on Gomer Jones, whom he always billed as co-head coach. Jones was not only one of the greatest of all line coaches but also a motivator right up there with Wilkinson himself.

Although Wilkinson, a supremely poised man, invariably accepted defeat with estimable sportsmanship, underneath a white-hot competitor was seething. After the 47 straight ended and he had met the media, he had a dinner date at the home of Dean Earl Sneed, faculty representative of athletics.

"When I got out of the car," he laughed recently, "I kicked a brick wall in front of Earl's house. I had an extremely sore foot for a month. Temper, temper, temper."

Charles Burnham Wilkinson was born April 23, 1916, in Minneapolis and attended Shattuck Military Academy and the University of Minnesota, where he won the Big Ten Medal as outstanding scholar-athlete. He was a guard for two years and quarterback in his senior year for three national championship Minnesota teams, 1934-36, under Bernie Bierman. Wilkinson was All-Big Ten at both positions.

After graduation in 1937, he quarterbacked the College All-Stars to their first victory over the NFL champions, Green Bay in the previous year, 6-0 in what was then an annual August attraction at Chicago's Soldier Field.

Wilkinson began coaching as an assistant at Syracuse under Ossie Solem in 1937. He moved to Minnesota under Dr. George Hauser in 1942 and was at Iowa Navy Pre-Flight under Don Faurot of Missouri in 1943. There, he absorbed from its inventor, Faurot, the split-T formation (forerunner of the wishbone), which Oklahoma used to such effect that it was copied by Notre Dame and many others.

Wilkinson's overall approach to the game, however, was influenced mainly by Bierman; General Bob Neyland, the great Tennessee defensive master; and by two of Neyland's pre-eminent pupils, Bobby Dodd of Georgia Tech and Ray Graves of Florida.

After Iowa Pre-Flight duty, Wilkinson served as a hangar deck officer on the aircraft carrier *Enterprise* and saw action in the battles of Iwo

Jima, Kyushu, Okinawa and Tokyo. In 1945 he returned to civilian life, joining his brother, Bill, and their father, Charles Patton Wilkinson, in their Minneapolis mortgage and loan business. Bud found this unchallenging. When Jim Tatum became head coach at Oklahoma in 1946, he did not need a hard sell to get Wilkinson to go with him. When Tatum went to Maryland in 1947, Wilkinson succeeded him as head coach and athletic director.

Tall, handsome, articulate and charismatic, as a recruiter Wilkinson knew no superior.

"To the kids in high school," said Norman McNabb, one of his early star guards, "he represented a composite of all the qualities they would like to have. Therefore, he was an idol to them, and after they got to OU, he never disillusioned them. He never talked about himself. He was sincere and courteous, never offensive."

Statistics show that his players . . . graduated at a rate better than 90 percent.

"He never used profanity or bullyragged a player, and he wouldn't let his assistants do it, either. If he dressed down a player, it was done quietly and in private."

Most of Wilkinson's championship teams were distinguished by their quarterbacks. He selected and groomed them meticulously. He screened them more for leadership personality than for physical ability. Some looked like football players, others did not. On the 1955 and 1956 national champions, Jimmy Harris was a hawk-faced whipcord Sammy Baugh type, while Jay O'Neal resembled a choirboy.

On earlier teams, Royal and Jack Mitchell, later head coach at Kansas, had the athletic stamp, but Claude Arnold looked like an adagio dancer; Eddie Crowder, later head coach of Colorado, an undernourished farmhand; and Gene Calame, a professor of biology. In all of them, however, Wilkinson found the flair for making the other players want to do the job.

Wilkinson's own background as a scholar-athlete was reflected in his emphasis on academic achievement. Statistics show that his players took solid major courses, graduated at a rate better than 90 percent and, on the whole, have done well in business and the professions.

To those not close to him, Wilkinson gave the impression it all came easy to him. Actually, like less-gifted contemporaries, he paid the price of his pressure-cooker profession, and at far steeper rates than most. His search for perfection built in him the most biting tensions. That was why his light blond hair began whitening while he was in his mid-40s. Even a one-sided victory left him so taut that he found it difficult to discuss the game with his usual

analysis and objectivity for at least eight hours afterwards.

While serving as President John F. Kennedy's special consultant on the nation's physical fitness, Wilkinson worked five months a year out of Washington and seven out of Norman in a hectic schedule that only one as organized as he could have handled. At Norman, during spring practice and the regular season, he maintained a 17-hour workday. Back home at 10 or 11, he often had trouble getting to sleep.

First, he would play his electric chord organ; his love for music stems from childhood participation in family group singing. If the organ didn't induce drowsiness, he would try reading. When that also failed to send him off, he'd drive to the training room presided over by Ken Rawlinson. If Gomer Jones was already there, they'd talk shop. After Gomer left, Bud would take a steam bath and then lie back on Rawlinson's automatic massage table. When the massage mechanism went off, the table was conducive to sleep, and Wilkinson often finished out the night there. His car was a familiar sight to the watchman on the rounds.

After the 5-5 season, Bud finished strong with a Big Eight title in 1962, runner-up in '63 and No. 8 national ranking both years. However, some of his old exuberance for coaching had diminished. That was part of the reason why he announced in February 1964 that he was resigning both as coach and AD. But the main reason was that he had decided to run for the United States Senate on the Republican ticket in a state 80 percent Democratic. Long odds. Why did he challenge them?

"While in Washington," he explained, "I had a close association with the function of the federal government. I became concerned about some of the directions in which the country was moving and thought that if I could get elected, I might be able to have an effect on the future."

In the 1964 Democratic landslide, President Lyndon Johnson carried Oklahoma over Barry Goldwater by 107,169 votes. But Wilkinson lost to Fred R. Harris by only 21,390 votes, a remarkable accomplishment.

Wilkinson, who now lives in St. Louis (he coached the Cardinals in the NFL in 1978-79), has kept his ties to football by broadcasting and by running the annual football coaches clinics with Duffy Daugherty, the old Michigan State coach. But his main job is vice chairman of the board of the Public Employees Benefit Association.

Not so long ago, Sid Gillman, one of football's most respected minds, was talking about great coaches.

"There have been outstanding technical men in the game and great inspirational leaders," Gillman said. "But there never has been one who has combined technique and spirit and leadership as well as Wilkinson."

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Steve Gage knew he could play quarterback in college. But he had to prove it. One school recruited him as a defensive back. The school that recruited him as a quarterback, Tulsa, had four other players at the position. He had to miss most of one season because of a fractured jaw. Then he faced a change in head coaches.

Now Gage enters his senior year at Tulsa with confidence. In fact, the only thing that really worries him is lack of competition.

"This is a different situation," Gage says. "I've been used to competing. Now I'm the only quarterback. I have to motivate myself. I have to make sure I don't become self-satisfied and slack off."

That doesn't seem likely for a player who holds Tulsa's single-season record for touchdowns with 17 and was named Most Valuable Offensive Player in the Missouri Valley Conference last season. With 102 points, he was tied for runner-up in the nation in individual scoring.

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Gage was widely recruited, an All-State performer in football and basketball at Claremore, Okla. He narrowed his choice to Tulsa or Oklahoma.

"Oklahoma told me they wanted me to play defensive back," he says. "They would give me a chance at quarterback, but you could tell they were thinking defense.

"Well, in high school, I was known as a thrower, and Tulsa promised me a shot at quarterback right away. Then I found out there were five of us. Before long, though, me and Richie Stephenson were the only ones left. And during two-a-days, I read a quote in the paper from (then) Coach (John) Cooper that I would be the starter. That was the first I had heard of it."

Gage got off to a sensational start, running 49 yards for a touchdown on his first college carry and passing 10 yards for a touchdown on his first pass. That was against San Diego State in the 1983 opener. Tulsa won the conference championship that year and Gage was named Newcomer of the Year.

In his fourth game as a sophomore, Gage suffered a fractured jaw that sidelined him the rest of the year.

In the spring of 1985, Cooper accepted the head-coaching job at Arizona State, and Don Morton replaced him at Tulsa. Gage didn't know what to expect.

"Things worked out great for me," he says. "Coach Morton changed the offense (to a quarterback option). It suits my needs. The quarterback carries the ball a lot, and I enjoy doing that."

Gage was Tulsa's second-leading rusher last season with 892 yards. He completed 55 percent of his passes for 1,069 yards and four touchdowns. He needs only 1,438 yards to better the Tulsa career total offense record of 5,104 yards set by Jerry Rhome in 1963-64.

Gage teamed up with departed running back Gordon Brown to set an NCAA record last season. Against Wichita State, Brown rushed for 214 yards on 23 carries, and Gage rushed for 206 yards on 26 carries. They became the first two ball carriers on the same team to run for over 200 yards each in a game.

Gage and six other offensive starters return from last season, when the Hurricane won five of its last six games to finish 6-5. Others are juniors Steve Hegdale (6-5, 267) at guard and flanker Ronnie Kelley, Tulsa's leading receiver last season (34 catches for 379 yards and one touchdown); and seniors Kevin Andrews (6-4, 220) at tight end (16 catches, 268 yards, two touchdowns), split end Eric Brown (12, 269, 2), center Stan Fields (5-11, 250) and right guard David Alexander (6-3, 245), a two-time all-conference selection.

Other leading candidates are junior tackles Richard Adams (6-2, 252) and Doug Olienyk (6-2, 260), senior running back Chris Vaughn and sophomore running

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backs Derrick Ellison and James Chandler, who backed up veterans Brown and Bobby Booker last season.

Tulsa returns eight defensive starters: senior defensive lineman (in Tulsa's terminology) Chris Pike (6-7, 290); junior linebackers John Brown (6-0, 185) and David Haynes (6-0, 196); senior linebacker Steve Kropp (6-2, 223); senior safety Richie Stephenson and junior safety Doug Desherow; and senior cornerbacks Tim Gordon and Charles Wright. Nose guard candidates include senior Crawford Ford (6-2, 255), sophomore Anthony Brown (6-2, 219) and freshman Chris Coffman (6-2, 225). Junior Donnie Dee (6-4, 240) will vie with Pike to start at defensive lineman.

Senior linebacker Tony Buford (6-2, 217), junior linebacker Xavier Warren (6-1, 230), all-conference in 1984, and junior cornerback Jesse Morrow were scheduled to start last season but were sidelined by injuries.

Tulsa, which has won the last six Missouri Valley Conference championships and holds a league record 26-game winning streak in conference games, will not be playing in the league this season because football has been dropped as a conference sport.

"The conference was important," he says, "because it gave us something to look forward to."

But the Hurricane will be seeking its ninth straight winning season.

The Missouri Valley Conference was a mixture of I-A and I-AA teams. Wichita State is the only member of the conference last year

that still appears on Tulsa's 1986 schedule.

Among tough I-A teams to be met by the Hurricane are Arkansas, Miami, Oklahoma State and Houston.

Gage will miss intraleague competition. "The conference was important," he says, "because it gave us something to look forward to and motivated us late in the season. Because we don't have a conference schedule, I think it's important for us to have senior leadership," says Gage, one of 12 seniors expected to gain starting roles.

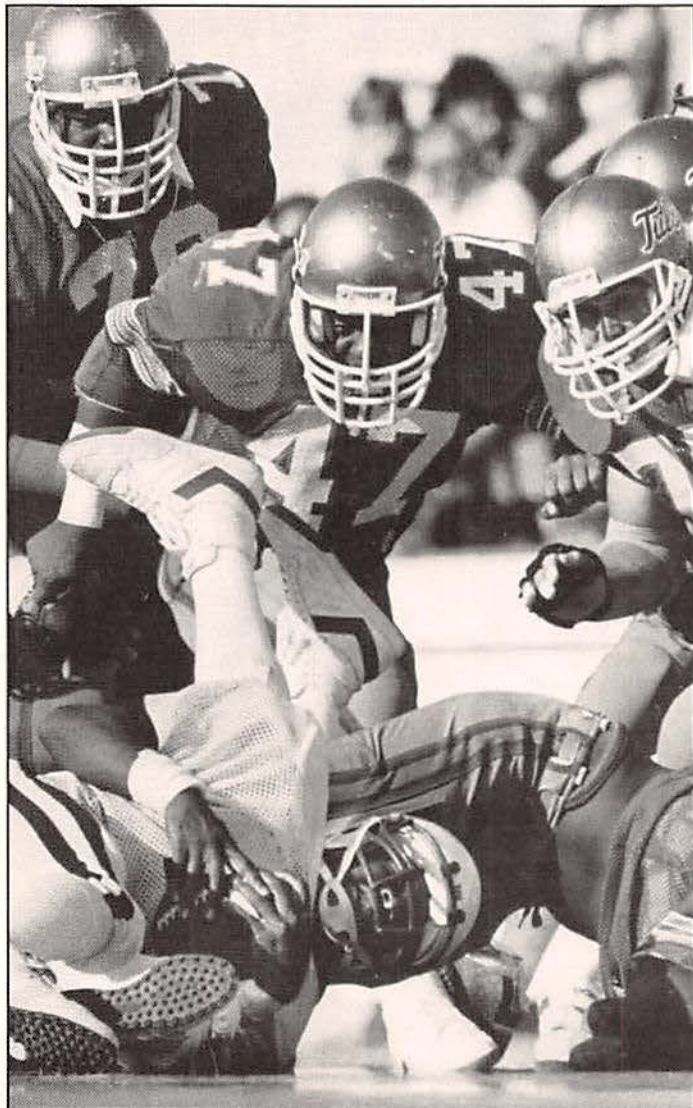
Gage, who is active in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, has great respect for Roger Staubach, former Dallas Cowboys quarterback and 1963 Heisman Trophy winner.

"Of course, I admire his athletic ability," says Gage, "but I also admire his character and the stands he takes."

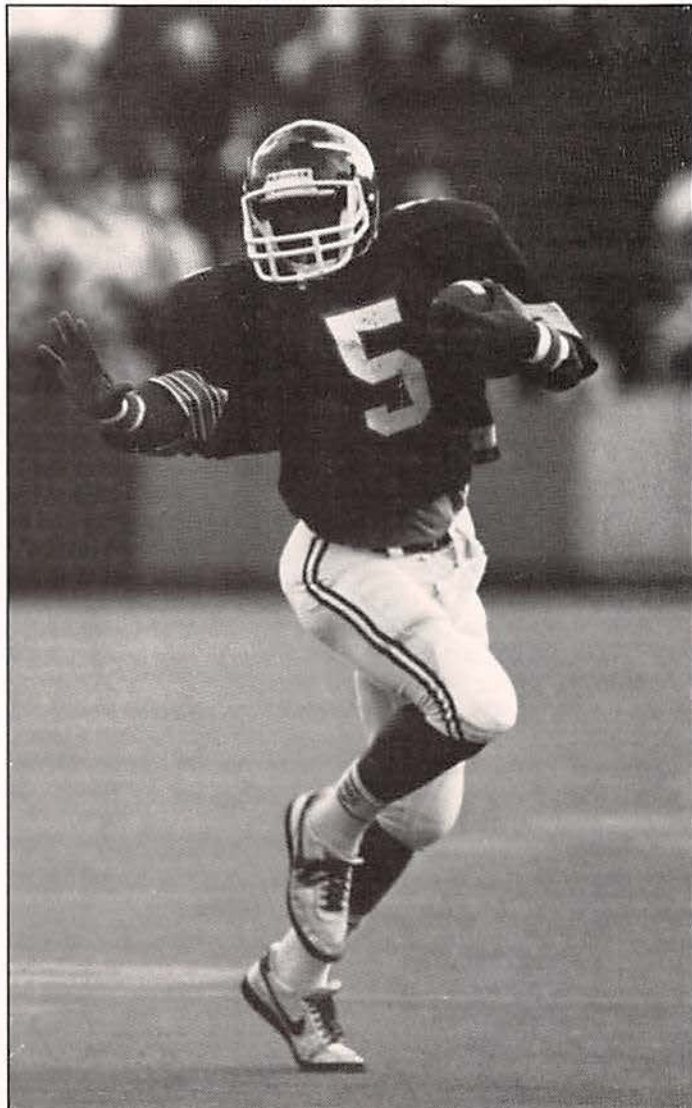
Staubach might think well of Steve Gage for the same reasons.

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Linebacker Xavier Warren (47) returns to action.



Ronnie Kelley is the Hurricane's leading receiver.



When X and O Equaled D.X.

by Tim Cohane

Dana Xenophon Bible, better known as D.X., Tennessean son of a teacher of the classics, was coaching Texas A&M in its 1922 game at Texas. In the eight-year history of the Southwest Conference, the Aggies had never beaten the Longhorns at Austin. Now, however, they were tied at halftime 7-7.

To further inspire them, Bible recalled that in the defense of the Alamo, Colonel William B. Travis drew a line with his sword along the dirt floor and invited all who wanted to stay to step across it. They all stepped over except Jim Bowie. He was so ill that he couldn't walk, so they carried him across on his cot.

And now, at halftime, Bible drew an imaginary line with his shoe across the dressing room floor. "Those who want to become known as the first A&M team to defeat Texas in Austin, step over the line," he said. The rush almost knocked Bible down. And whether calling on the Alamo contributed, the Aggies won 14-7.

D.X. Bible's flair for motivation, plus his strategy, fundamentalism and his 33-year record of 198-72-23 (.715) explain why, in 1951, as soon as he became eligible, he was ushered into the Hall of Fame.

From 1917 through '28, excluding 1918 when he was an army pursuit pilot in France, Bible's Aggie teams won five Southwest Conference championships. In his 1929-36 span at Nebraska, the Cornhuskers won six Big Six titles. At Texas, 1937-46, his Longhorns won three SWC crowns. That's 14 major conference tiaras in 29 seasons with three colleges.

Bible's greatest player, Joel Hunt, all-conference back for the Aggies in 1925-27, summed him up in eloquent style: "He was as confident as a banker, astute as a schoolmaster, poised as a preacher and expressive as a salesman." He was also a realistic student of the coaching market who knew when it was ripe to move.

Bible persuaded himself to leave A&M for Nebraska after a 5-4-1 fifth-place season in 1928 and an astute analysis of the future. His successor, Matty Bell, lasted five years with a 24-21-3 record. And when Bible departed Nebraska for Texas in 1937, he was influenced at least in part by his awareness that Longhorn alumni had gone without a championship since 1930 and had agonized through two sixth-place seasons. They would be as patient

as it is possible for alums to be. As Herman Hickman put it: "Restless but not mutinous."

Indeed, Texas wanted Bible so badly that the banker in him negotiated one of the best pacts in coaching to that time: a \$15,000-a-year contract for 20 years, the first 10 as athletic director and coach, the second 10 as athletic director. The 15 grand meant that D.X.

Bible was a motivating builder of champions.



would be getting more than the college president. The state legislature resolved that by raising the president's salary.

Before Bible signed, however, he came to a clear-cut understanding with the man who had much to do with hiring him, H.L. Lutch Stark, a multimillionaire.

"Just what part, Mr. Stark," Bible asked, "would you expect to have in athletics at Texas?"

"Just sitting on the sidelines," said Stark.

"What if I put you off the sidelines?" said D.X.

"Well," Stark countered, "I've been put off by worse coaches than you, D.X."

"A lot of people will be involved in our program," Bible pointed out, "and none can be given special privileges."

Bible's forthrightness appealed to Stark.

"Then I'll just buy the best seats I can," he said. "And when you need help, holler."

D.X. immediately put in motion "The Bible Plan" in which all 267,339 square miles of Texas were divided into districts, and alumni were assigned responsibilities for recruiting them. This set the pattern perfected in the Darrell Royal dynasty and still followed today.

It would take five years to build a champion, Bible said. It took six. His 1937 and 1938 teams finished last, but in the next three years they moved up to fourth, third and second, and in his last five to first, first, second, first and third. For his last seven years, his record was 55-13-2. The 1942 team, first to represent Texas in a bowl game, defeated Georgia Tech 14-7 in the Cotton Bowl.

No victory ever pleased D.X. more than the Aggies' 22-14 upset of Centre on New Year's Day, 1922, at Dallas Fair Park. It was called the Dixie Classic and was the forerunner of the Cotton Bowl 15 years later. Centre, in Danville, Ky., had become a glamour team overnight. The Praying Colonels had won national attention by upsetting Harvard 6-0. They were undefeated and 20-point favorites. They also had a special Texas following, because their star quarterback, Alvin "Bo" McMillin, lineman Matty Bell and others came from Fort Worth.

Further to dramatize the setting, on the morning of the game, McMillin married his childhood sweetheart in Fort Worth. He walked onto the field that afternoon with her on his arm. Niceties were shoved aside with the kickoff.

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however. T.F. "Puny" Wilson, star Aggie end, recalled: "Mr. Bible spoke a few well-chosen words, and man, we knew we were ready."

It was a hard-hitter all the way, and as injuries cut into the Aggies' sparse reserves, a famous A&M tradition was born—"The Twelfth Man." His name was King Gill, and later, when he was an M.D. in Corpus Christi, here is how he told the story: "I had played on the football team but was on the basketball team because those in charge thought I'd be more valuable there. I was in Dallas, however, and even rode to the stadium in the same taxi with Coach Bible. I was in civilian clothes and was not to be in uniform. Coach Bible asked me to assist in spotting players for the late Jinx Tucker, sports editor of the *Waco News-Tribune*, in the press box.

"So I was in the press box when, near the end of the first half, I was called down to the Aggie bench. There had been a number of injuries, but it was not until I arrived on the field that I learned Coach Bible wanted me to put on a uniform. I did and I was ready to play if needed. But I never was sent into the game."

And that's why, to this day, the Aggie Cadet Corps stands throughout the game, symbolizing the original "Twelfth Man," King Gill, "ready to play if needed." Gill lettered in football in the next two seasons.

Bible compared the upset of Centre with the 7-0 shocker his 1940 Texas team pulled on the Aggies and their immortal fullback, Jar-jin' John Kimbrough, to wreck their Rose Bowl plans. Before that game, Bible read his men Edgar Guest's poem, "It Can Be Done."

Ironically, D.X. suffered his greatest coaching disappointment the next year. What was probably his best team at either College Station or Austin—in fact, one of the finest in SWC history—suffered back-to-back upsets in a 7-7 tie by Baylor and a 14-7 loss to Texas Christian, both on last-minute passes, Baylor's with 18 seconds to go and TCU's with seven.

Before those nightmares, the Longhorns, with Pete Layden and Jack Crain in the backfield, had whopped Arkansas 48-14, Rice 40-0 and Southern Methodist 34-0. And afterwards, they beat Texas A&M 23-0 at College Station and won a significant victory over Oregon 71-7. Oregon had lost a close game, 12-7, to Oregon State, which beat Duke 20-16 in the 1942 Rose Bowl game (at Durham, N.C.). Texas, showing its real strength, had taken a lot of shine off the Rose Bowl. The Longhorns finished fourth nationally behind Minnesota, Duke and Notre Dame, while the Aggies, SWC champions, were ninth. Of course, all this merely compounded Bible's frustration.

Bible's first three teams at Texas A&M outscored opponents 774 to 7 (unbeaten, untied and unscored on in 1917 and 1919). But his favorite team and favorite player probably were the 1927 Aggies and Joel Hunt, truly an all-

purpose back. Hunt passed, punted, place-kicked, dropkicked, ran the ball three out of five times, called the plays and was team captain. He was also outstanding on defense and played all but three minutes of the schedule.

As a 162-pound senior in 1927, he scored 128 points to set a still-existing SWC record and lead the nation. The 1927 title hinged on the Aggies' home game against SMU, which had a great back of its own in Jerry Mann. The Ags won 39-13 and Hunt was incredible. He scored three touchdowns, passed for two others and punted for a 44-yard average. The height of his kicks and the quality of their coverage were such that the Mustangs could not return any of them by so much as a foot.

"Joel ain't so fast," said a contemporary player, "but you couldn't catch him in a telephone booth." If the All-America pickers hadn't been myopic, they would have picked him unanimously. Hunt and Crain were selected by Bible as his best runners, and Bobby Layne, who starred for Texas in the '40s, as his best passer. "The only way to evaluate Layne," said D.X., "is to say he was electric."

The only flaw in the 1927 Aggie record was the scoreless tie at Texas Christian. After the game, they bused back to College Station. When the bus was slow getting under way, Hunt prodded the driver. "Take it easy, bub," the driver replied. This was too much for an already seething Bible, who had a bull's bellow. "Get this heap going," D.X. roared, "or I'll jerk you out of that seat and drive myself." In telling the story, Hunt added: "We drove on to the championship."

Dana Xenophon Bible was born Oct. 8, 1891, in Jefferson City, Tenn., son of Jonathan and Cleopatra Bible. Jonathan Bible taught Latin and Greek in the public schools, but young Dana, though himself a Latin scholar, was less impressed with the commentaries of Julius Caesar than with those, say, of Amos Alonzo Stagg.

D.X. did his first coaching at Brandon Prep in Shelbyville, Tenn. Eligibility standards were elastic and sometimes rival coaches suited up and played. Bible played some halfback for Brandon. Because he was already balding at 21, rooters called him Grandpa.

His work at Brandon got him his first college coaching job at Mississippi College in 1913. On his way to the Hall of Fame he earned every coaching honor football has to offer. He was president of the Football Coaches of America. For 27 years he was a member of the Rules Committee. In 1953 he received the coaches' Stagg Award for long service to the game. Joel Hunt described what he meant to the game and his players:

"I can still hear him say: 'Captain, go out and take charge! Take command of the situation! He was a forceful leader, a great moral character, a man who could have been successful in any profession.'"

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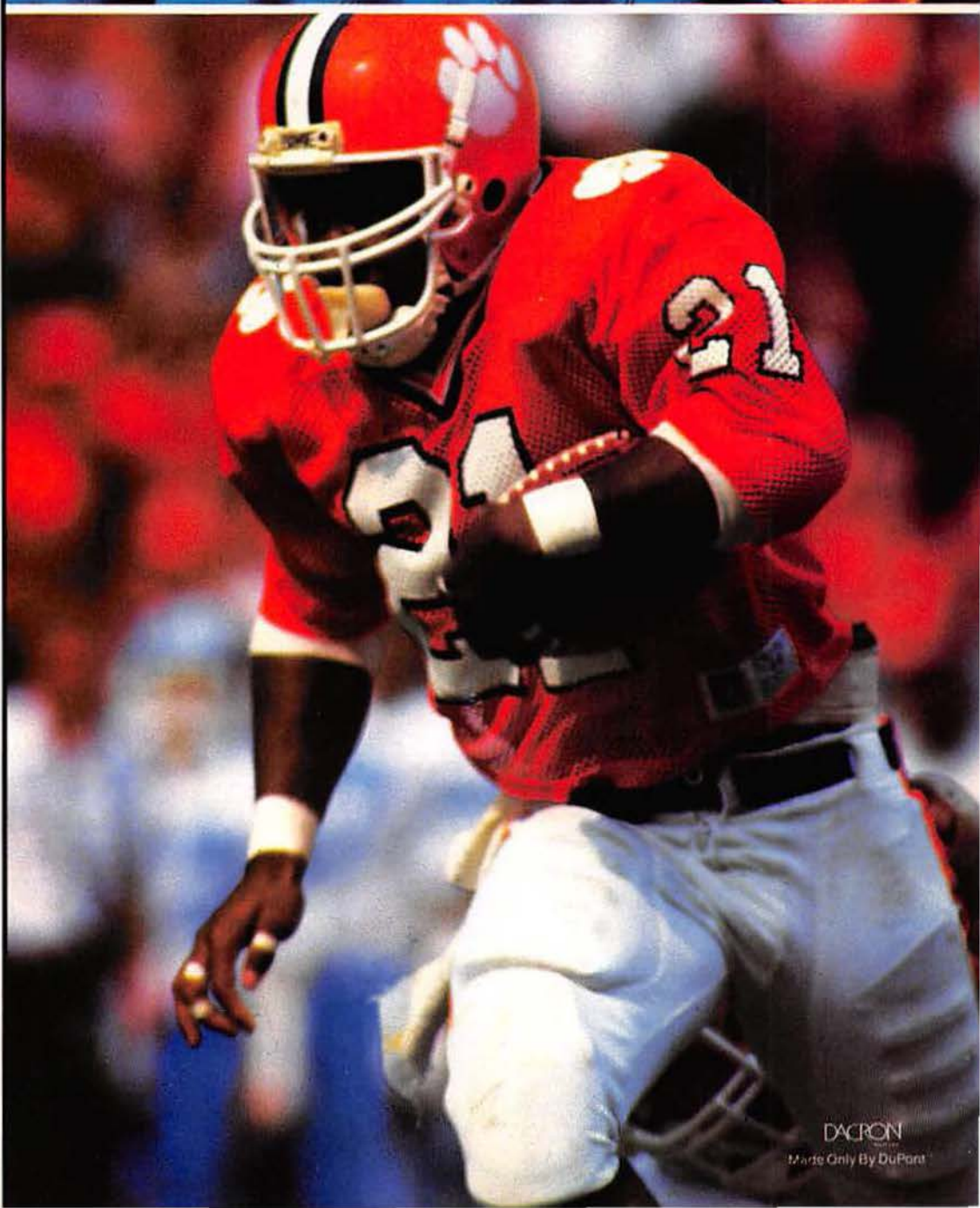
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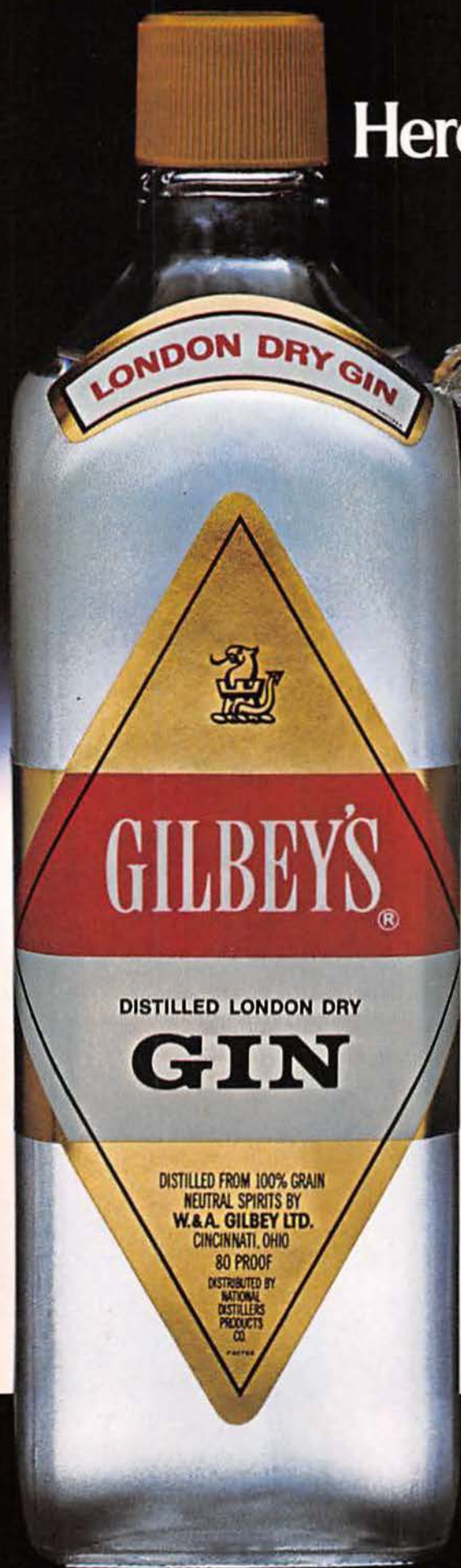


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Aggies Arrive And It's No Joke

by Jerry McCain
Publisher

When Jackie Sherrill left Pittsburgh in 1982 to accept a \$250,000-a-year offer at Texas A&M, it was for the express purpose of leading the Aggies to the national championship.

Athlon predicts this is the year he will succeed.

Sherrill deserves great credit. The 42-

year-old disciple of Bear Bryant has built a powerhouse block by block and tackle by tackle—with a tough linebacker and a strong running back and an outstanding passer thrown in for good measure.

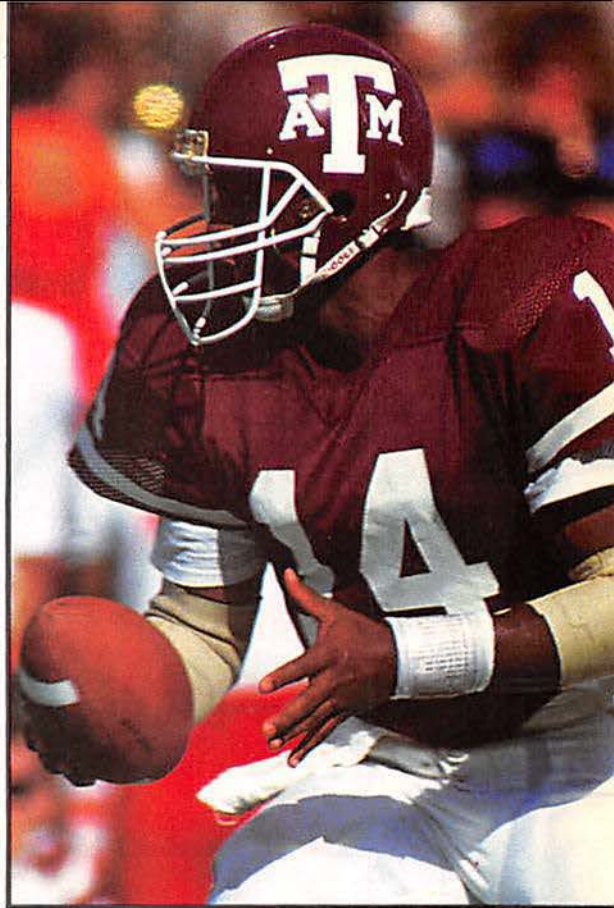
The defense, returning nine starters, will be led by Johnny Holland, an All-America linebacker who changes what look like six- and seven-yard runs into

no-gains. Quarterback Kevin Murray and fullback Roger Vick headline an offense with seven starters from Sherrill's 1985 Southwest Conference champion that finished 10-2 and No. 6 in the nation.

The second-best team will be Oklahoma. Last season's champions may be even better yet finish lower in the ratings.

Oklahoma features All-America line-

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Texas A&M rallies around a handy guy named Kevin Murray.

Athlon's Top Twenty

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| 1. TEXAS A&M | 11. FLORIDA STATE |
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| 3. OHIO STATE | 13. ARIZONA |
| 4. TENNESSEE | 14. AIR FORCE |
| 5. MICHIGAN | 15. LOUISIANA STATE |
| 6. UCLA | 16. BAYLOR |
| 7. MIAMI | 17. ARIZONA STATE |
| 8. NEBRASKA | 18. ARKANSAS |
| 9. PENN STATE | 19. OKLAHOMA STATE |
| 10. ALABAMA | 20. MICHIGAN STATE |

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backer Brian Bosworth and defensive end Darrell Reed. Quarterback Jamelle Holieway has considerable talent. The Sooners lost only four starters and seven of their top 48. The confidence that comes with a championship experience will keep Oklahoma at the top in the Big Eight.

Ohio State is our choice for No. 3 in the country. Tennessee will be fourth and Michigan rounds out the top five.

Why Ohio State over Michigan for Big Ten honors? Simple. The game is in Columbus, home of the Buckeyes. Tremendous talent coupled with the home-field advantage is the best possible combination. Ohio State returns eight starters on each side of the ball. Besides, the Buckeyes have a leftover feeling of what might have been. That is strong motivation. The 1985 team could have been good enough to win the national title. Keith Byars' foot injury removed that opportunity.

Tennessee, 1985 Southeastern Conference champion, will defend successfully. Nine veterans on defense will lead the return to the Sugar Bowl. Coach Johnny Majors will find another quarterback, as he did last October when Tony Robinson was injured.

Michigan's offense is generating excitement. It scored eight touchdowns on the defense in a spring scrimmage. It was just



Barry Switzer's '85 champions are loaded again.

practice, but Bo Schembechler got the idea the offense, led by quarterback Jim Harbaugh, must be pretty good.

UCLA will be an exciting team. Miami will feature America's finest quarterback, Vinny Testaverde. Nebraska will present another

edition of muscle and might. Penn State will win nine, maybe 10 games. Alabama has a great outside linebacker, Cornelius Bennett, and many other veterans.

All those teams are Top 10 types. Alabama might be in the top five except for the schedule. The Tide faces Tennessee and Florida on the road, Ohio State in East Rutherford, N.J., Penn State in Tuscaloosa and Notre Dame, LSU and Auburn in Birmingham.

In the second 10 and deserving respect are consistently strong Florida State, tough Florida, aggressive Arizona, superbly coached Air Force, fierce-on-defense Louisiana State, balanced Baylor, ambitious Arizona State, proud Arkansas, combative Oklahoma State and up-and-coming Michigan State.

Michigan State features All-America running back Lorenzo White. Oklahoma State also has an All-America back: Thurman Thomas. Baylor's Thomas Everett is an All-America defensive back. Mark Simon of Air Force is the country's finest punter.

Close but no cigar: Georgia Tech, Maryland, BYU, Georgia, Washington, Colorado and Texas.

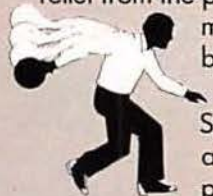
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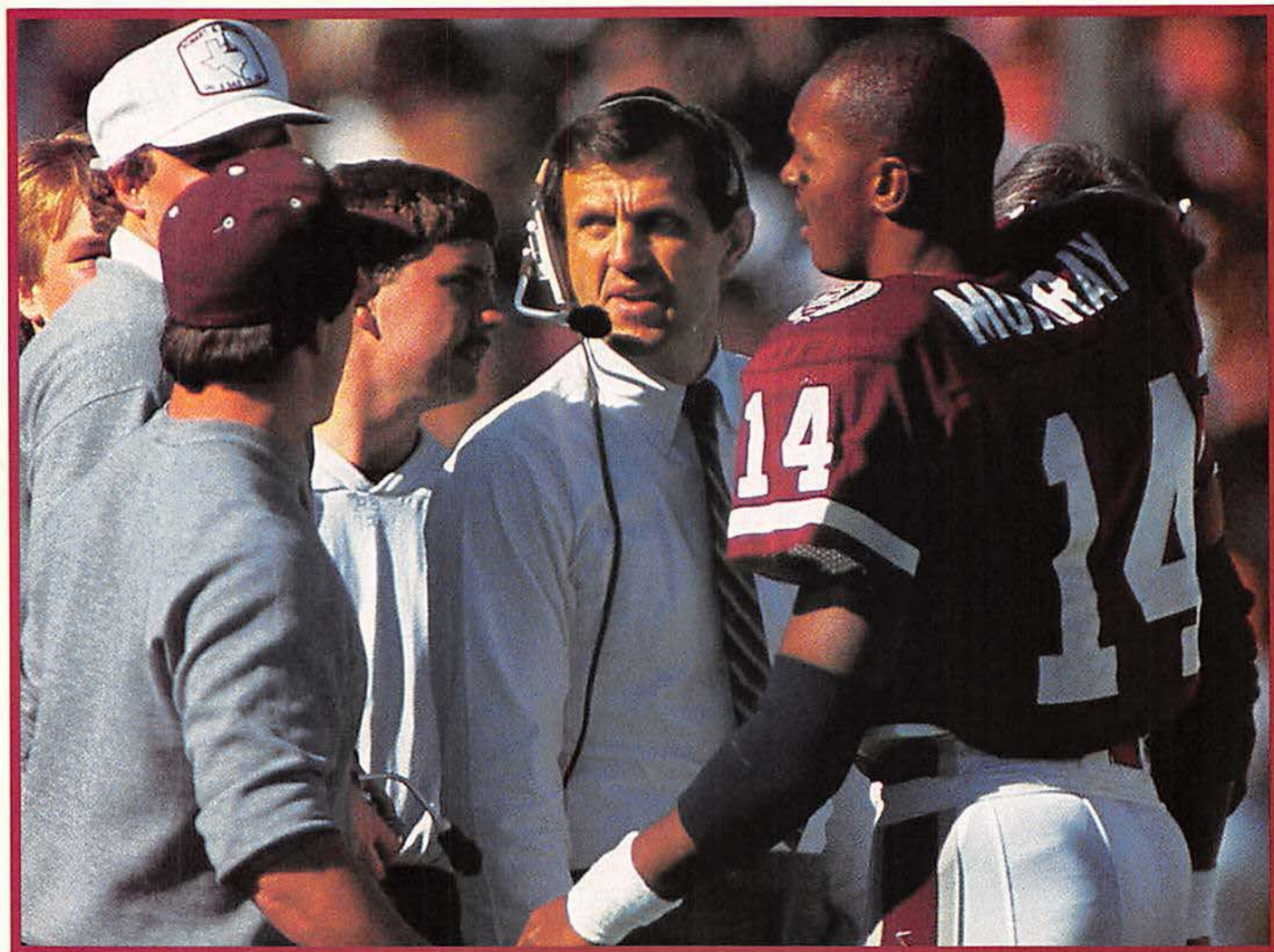
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Jackie Sherrill of Texas A&M

ATHLON'S NATIONAL COACH OF THE YEAR

Jackie Sherrill of Texas A&M is *Athlon's* choice as 1986 National Coach of the Year.

Sherrill, 42, is in his fifth season as the Aggies' head coach. His team is the favorite to win the Southwest Conference. *Athlon* picks Texas A&M to win the national championship.

Sherrill's 10-year career record of 79-35-2 ranks among the Top 20 active Division I-A coaches. The 1985 season was his most satisfying yet. Texas A&M was 10-2 and won the Southwest Conference title and Cotton Bowl game.

The conference crown was the Aggies' first since 1975. Their Top 10 ranking (sixth) was the school's highest since 1976.

Born in Duncan, Okla., Sherrill was a high school All-American in Biloxi, Miss., where his family

moved. He played under the legendary Bear Bryant at Alabama. Sherrill played seven positions for the Crimson Tide and was a member of national championship teams in 1964-65. He graduated in 1966 with a B.A. in business.

He earned his coaching wings by serving as an assistant to Bryant, Frank Broyles at Arkansas and Johnny Majors at Iowa State and Pittsburgh.

Sherrill became a head coach in 1976 at Washington State. A year later, he took over at Pittsburgh and in five seasons (1977-81) directed the Panthers to a sparkling 50-9-1 record. His teams went 33-3 in his last three years at Pittsburgh. The Panthers were ranked No. 2 in 1980-81.

Sherrill became coach and athletic director at Texas A&M in 1982. He has a 26-18-1 record there.

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Academy Football Back to the Big Time

by Bob Oates Jr.

It was classic football, fourth and one down near the goal line. The Army team had been driving 70 yards, finally asserting its dominance over Navy in a game the Cadets were supposed to win easily.

With the first half winding down and the score tied 7-7, Army came up to the line. Quarterback Rob Healy looked out at the Navy defense—and in a sickening moment he knew the worst. Some of the Midshipmen were out of place, ready to stunt, and there was nothing Healy could do about it. Navy had his play stopped—and Army was going on a quick count. As soon as Healy opened his mouth, his team was going to charge right into disaster. "I wanted to audible," he said after the game, "but there wasn't time."

Helpless, Healy took the snap and began Army's standard wishbone option. Navy's end looped to the outside to take away the outside pitch, and slicing inside—into the gap thus vacated—came cornerback Steve Brady. It was Navy's "goal-line stick" defense, a gambling change-up that a pass could have destroyed.

Never seen by the blockers, Brady piled into Healy, stopping him for no gain on the 2-yard line.

"I just sliced in and drew a bead on him," Brady said later. "That's got to be the tackle of my career."

Doubtless. And a memory for a lifetime, not just for Brady but for countless fans who watched this stirring game. The perfect defensive call, the great play in the clutch—it was a living reminder of the mystic moments that shine like diamonds down through more than a century of collegiate football.

Healy had to leave the game with a shoulder injury, and the reinvigorated Navy team dominated the second half, riding the running brilliance of Napoleon McCallum to tough out a soul-satisfying 17-7 win.

For football fans everywhere, this classic moment came in a game that mattered. In a game that mattered, we should say, once again.

For football at America's service academies is again worthy of such moments. At Army, Navy and the Air Force, football has returned to big-time status. A decade and a half ago, in 1970, Army's football team went 1-9-1 and Navy's 2-9. It was the nadir for once-proud programs.

Right after World War II, Army had produced back-to-back Heisman Trophy winners, Doc Blanchard and Glenn Davis. In 1960 and 1963

Navy had boasted Heisman winners Joe Belino and Roger Staubach.

But by 1970 the glory days were long gone, and that disastrous season was only the worst of a lean and hungry decade for academy football. Through most of the 1970s, the service teams seemed to have permanently slipped to minor league status.

But when we pick up our sports sections now, what do we see? The Air Force Academy is a nationally ranked power (peaking last season at 12-1 and No. 5); it has gone to four straight bowl games and won all four including last year's 24-16 decision over Texas. In the past two years Army has also picked up the pace, with a 17-6-1 record and two bowl victories—the last one over Illinois in the Peach Bowl. And Navy, which played in bad luck all last season, losing five games by a combined 15 points, still set 29 school records, and could

easily have launched tailback McCallum to Heisman status with a few more well-placed points.

What has happened? Why have once-moribund military programs snapped back to attention?

The first answer is the deepest. Patriotism is resurgent in America, and young men of college age once again look with favor on a military education.

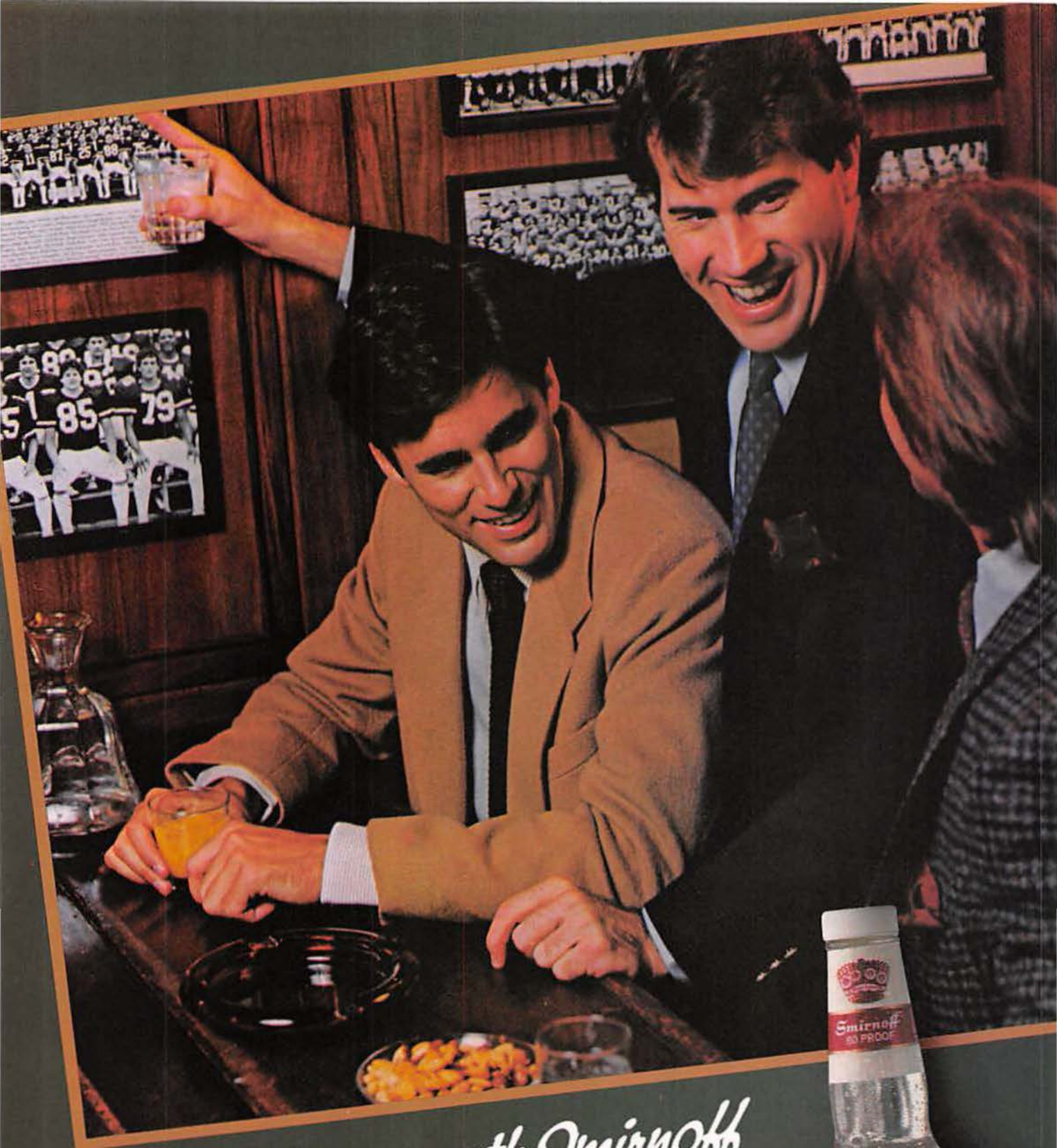
"The national feeling seems to be stronger now than it was a few years ago," says Jim Young, Army's coach. "That means interest in the academies in general is definitely higher. Applications for admission at all three academies are the largest in history. And if more people are interested, that means more athletes are interested. We are getting better players."

The Vietnam War planted chagrin deep in the American psyche. And as confidence in

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Military academy football is rough and tough—like it used to be.

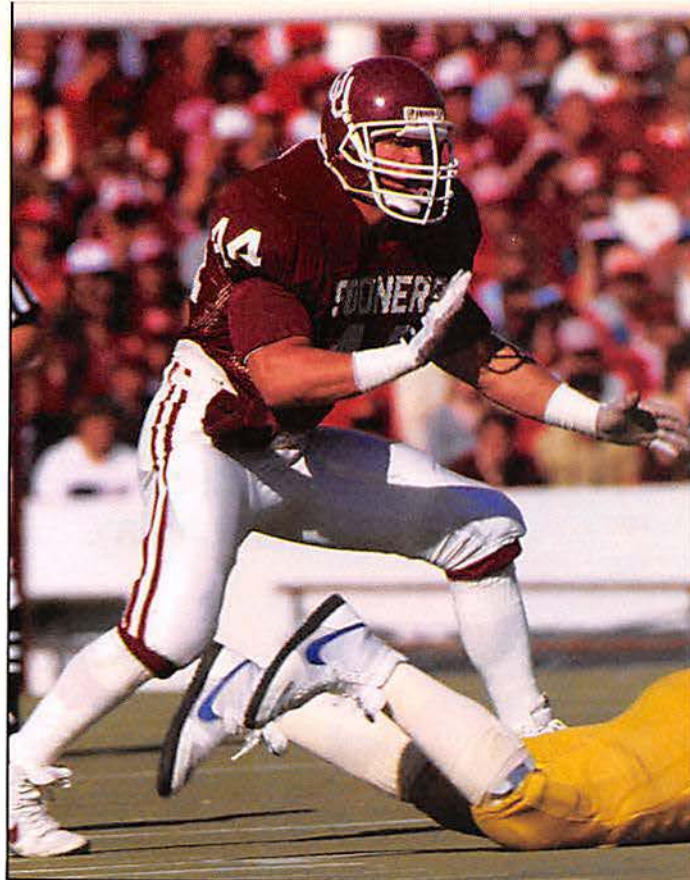




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Oklahoma linebacker Brian Bosworth backs up what he says.



Miami's Vinny Testaverde puts up mostly catchable passes.

The Brightest Stars A Galaxy of Talent

by Herschel Nissenon

College football's tub-thumpers—alias sports information directors—are thumping their tubs, beating the drums and pounding the keys of their typewriters—all right, all right, computers—in an effort to come up with pearls of prose on behalf of their 1986 All-America candidates.

For openers, here are some preseason skill position players drawing raves:

Quarterbacks: Vinny Testaverde of Miami (Fla.), Kerwin Bell of Florida, Kevin Sweeney of Fresno State, Stanford's John Paye, Michigan's Jim Harbaugh, Alabama's Mike Shula.

Running backs: Lorenzo White of Michigan State, Nebraska's Doug DuBose, Thurman Thomas of Oklahoma State, Clemson's Kenny Flowers.

Rest assured there will be some high-class yardage piled up this fall by passers and runners. Nevertheless, 1986 looks very much like the Year of the Linebacker.

And, with an apology to the Miami Dolphins, a triumvirate of Killer Bees heads the list: Bosworth, Brian, of Oklahoma; Brooks, Michael, of LSU; Bennett, Cornelius, of Alabama.

Bosworth, a loquacious 6-2, 234-pound junior from Irving, Texas—he was born in Oklahoma City, his parents attended Oklahoma and he is anything but bashful about admitting that he loathes the University of Texas—won the first Butkus Award last year as the nation's top linebacker. He led Oklahoma's national champions with 131 tackles and was named Defensive Player of the Year in the Big Eight.

Backing up his pregame crack that "I'd kill to beat Texas," Bosworth made last year's annual shoot-out his private war with 14 tackles—11 solos—two sacks, an interception and caused all kinds of havoc in the Longhorns' backfield.

Bosworth also caused a tenuous commotion among Oklahoma teenagers and hair stylists when he got himself a spike haircut with a little pigtail in the back after seeing Arnold Schwarzenegger in *The Commando*. Coach Barry Switzer said a barber in Edmond, Okla., "told me he had a hundred kids come in and say, 'Gimme one of them Boz haircuts.'"

Says the Boz (the linebacker, not the haircut): "I want people to look at me and say,

'He's a space case; he's weird.' But the truth is, I'm really an introvert."

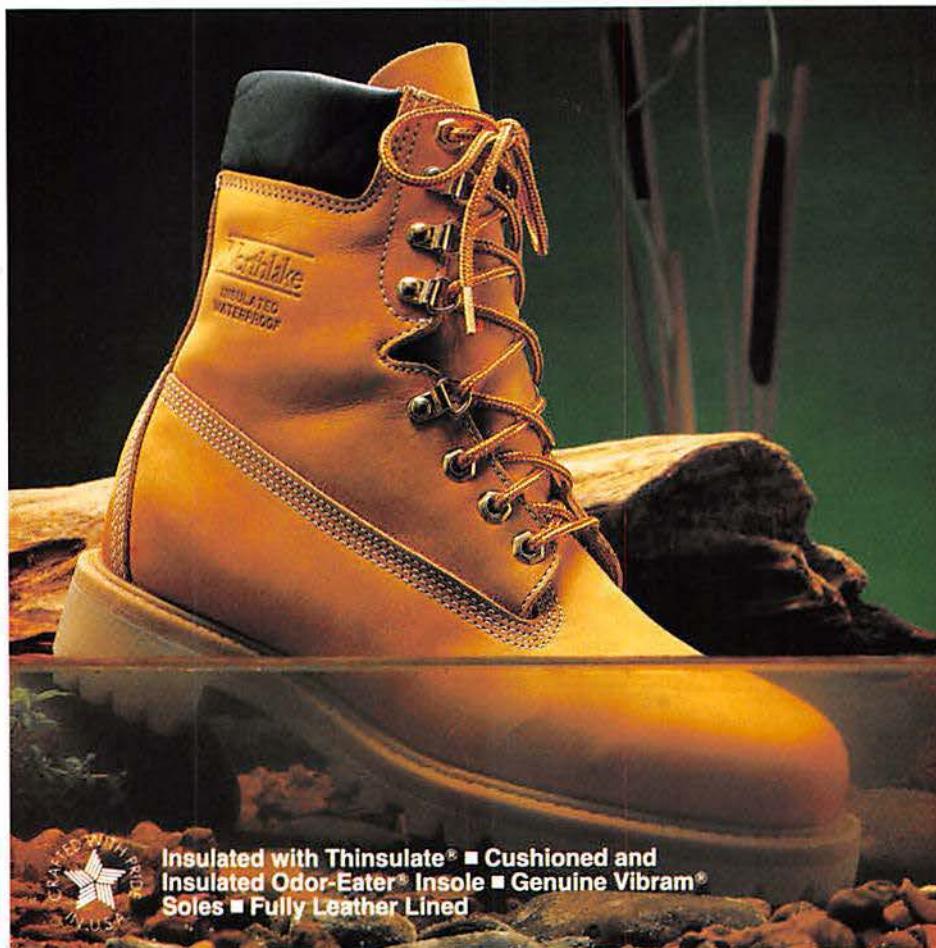
Bosworth plays strong-side inside linebacker while Brooks and Bennett are outside backers.

Brooks is a 6-1, 228-pound senior from Ruston, La., the youngest of 13 children. He finished third in the Butkus voting and was the kingpin of one of the nation's top rushing defenses in 1985. "The most complete linebacker in America," raves Bill Arnsparger, an otherwise low-key coach.

Brooks led the Tigers with 16 tackles behind the line of scrimmage, plus eight sacks, and was named Southeastern Conference Defensive Player of the Year by *The Knoxville Journal*.

How's this for a one-man show: In a 17-15 victory over Mississippi State, Brooks logged 11 solo tackles, two assists, five tackles for a loss—including three sacks—forced two fumbles and broke up a pass. He capped the season by being named LSU's outstanding defensive player in the 21-7 Liberty Bowl loss to Baylor.

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"Michael is one of the most gifted athletes I've ever worked with," adds Arnsperger. "I've been fortunate to work with some outstanding defensive players during my years of coaching, but Michael has the potential to be the best I've ever been around."

Bennett, a 6-4, 235-pound senior, would have battled Bosworth and Brooks for the 1985 spotlight had he not missed three games because of a knee injury. Still, the player Coach Ray Perkins calls "the Lawrence Taylor of college football"—and Perkins coached Taylor in the NFL—was a finalist for the Butkus and Lombardi Awards. And after he returned to action against Tennessee, Vol running backs coach Doug Mathews said, "Cornelius Bennett is the best player—period—in the Southeastern Conference."

Like Taylor, one of Bennett's greatest contributions is putting pressure on the quarterback. In the nationally televised opener against Georgia, he was credited with eight solo tackles, two sacks, broke up a third-down pass and recovered a fumble to set up a field goal. In 1984, Bennett led the Crimson Tide with 102 tackles.

Your name doesn't really have to start with a "B" to be among the nation's best linebacking talent, although the ranks include Baylor's Ray Berry at outside backer and Michigan State's

Shane Bullough, Iowa State's Jeff Braswell, Georgia's John Brantley, Rick Bredesen of Kansas and Louisville's Matt Battaglia on the inside.

In the not-to-B department, at outside line-backer, keep an eye on Tennessee's Dale Jones, Penn State's Shane Conlan, Oklahoma's Darrell Reed, West Virginia's Matt Smith and Virginia Tech's Morgan Roane. Top-notch inside backers include Texas A&M All-American Johnny Holland, California's Hardy Nickerson, Texas Tech's Brad Hastings, Duke's Mike Junkin, Ohio State's Chris Spielman, Nebraska's Marc Munford, Air Force's Terry Maki and Bill Romanowski of Boston College.

Other linebackers to watch: Marcus Cotton of Southern Cal, Wayne Davis of Alabama, Steve Domonoski of Temple, Byron Evans of Arizona, Chuck Faucette of Maryland, Dennis Gibson of Iowa State, Alex Gordon of Cincinnati, Cliff Hannemann of Fresno State, Todd Howard of Texas A&M, Tim Inglis of Toledo, Thad Jefferson of Hawaii, Fred Jones and Paul McGowan of Florida State, Mike Kovalesski of Notre Dame, Gary McGuire of Houston, Andy Moeller of Michigan, Ken Norton of UCLA, Jim Pauciello of Utah State, Tim Pidgeon of Syracuse, Jeff Plunkett of Pacific, Craig Raddatz of Wisconsin, Barry Remington

of Colorado, Kenneth Robinson of South Carolina, Dave Scheyer of Army, Sean Scott of Virginia, Octavian Sharp of Memphis State, Al Smith of Utah State, Larry Smith of Kentucky, Scott Stephen of Arizona State, Tyronne Stowe of Rutgers, Fred Strickland of Purdue, Bill Thompson of Boston College, Xavier Warren of Tulsa, Dave Wyman of Stanford and Kelly Ziegler of Tennessee.

But regardless of how many stops and big plays the linebackers make, the headlines will go to the folks who lug the football and throw it. And the top preseason names are Testaverde, a fifth-year senior who finished fourth nationally in total offense (the top three graduated), and White, who led the nation in rushing as a sophomore with 1,908 yards and tied for the touchdown lead with 17.

"I could go on forever talking about Vinny Testaverde," says Miami Coach Jimmy Johnson. Forever is a long time but we'll give Jimmy a few more lines.

"All the praises that have been said and written about him are true. Vinny is the finest athlete I have ever been associated with, regardless of position. But what impresses me the most about him is his desire to work hard and contribute as a team player."

In his first season as a starter, following Bernie Kosar's defection to the NFL, Testa-

verde completed 216 of 352 passes (61.4 percent) for 3,238 yards and 21 touchdowns and tied George Mira's school record of 116 consecutive passes without an interception.

Twelve of the top 20 quarterbacks from 1985's passing efficiency list are back—Harbaugh (1), Bell (2), Ohio State's Jim Karsatos (4), Shula (5), Testaverde (6), Sweeney (8), San Diego State's Todd Santos (12), Cincinnati's Danny McCoin (13), Texas A&M's Kevin Murray (15), New Mexico's Billy Rucker (18), Texas-El Paso's Sammy Garza (19) and Temple's Lee Saltz (20).

In total offense, Testaverde was fourth, Utah's Larry Egger seventh, Mississippi State's Don Smith ninth, Rucker 10th, Sweeney 11th, Paye 14th, Santos 15th, Bell 16th, New Mexico State's Jim Miller 17th and Oregon's Chris Miller 20th.

Yes, friends, Michigan's Bo Schembechler actually let his quarterback throw enough times to become the first player in Big Ten history, believe it or not, to win the passing efficiency title. Harbaugh's 1985 numbers were 212 passes, 139 completions, 1,913 yards, 18 touchdowns, only six interceptions.

Harbaugh grew up in the Michigan program. His father, Jack, now head coach at Western Michigan, was one of Schembechler's assistant coaches from 1973-79.

Papa Jack recalls that "one day, Bo said,

'What ya' up to Jimmy?' And Jim answered, 'Oh, not much, Bo. What ya' up to?' Bo said to me, 'You know, there's something about that little kid I really like.' "

Imagine what Bo thinks of him now.

A month before Florida's 1984 opener, Bell was a redshirt freshman, a walk-on (no school offered him a scholarship) fifth-string quarterback from a chicken farm in the tiny (pop. 250) town of Day, Fla. An injury to the projected starter opened the door, and Bell finished fourth among the nation's passers that year behind Doug Flutie, Robbie Bosco and Kosar.

Last season, he completed 180 of 288 passes for 2,687 yards—third best in SEC history—and 21 touchdowns with only eight interceptions. His three 300-yard-plus games tied John Reaves' school record.

During his first two years at Alabama, Mike Shula was Don Shula's son. But as a junior, he set school records for touchdown passes in a season (16), game (4) and highest completion percentage (60.3) with 200 or more attempts. Overall, he was 138 of 229 for 2,009 yards and, at least in Tuscaloosa and environs, Don Shula is now known as Mike's father.

One of the most intriguing stories in college football is being written at Fresno State, where Kevin Sweeney has blossomed into stardom under the tutelage of his father, Coach Jim

Sweeney. Says the proud papa: "I believe Kevin's skill level in passing the football is comparable to any I have witnessed on the collegiate level. His arm strength is unquestioned; his accuracy is one of the truly outstanding features in his makeup. His ability to throw the ball long never ceases to amaze me. Beyond the quarterback skills, I believe he is an outstanding student of the game with great experience and proven ability under fire."

Family ties notwithstanding, Sweeney has thrown for 8,260 yards and 51 touchdowns in his three-year career and is threatening Flutie's NCAA major-college passing standard of 10,579 yards. He passed for 2,604 last year—177 of 295, 14 touchdowns and just seven interceptions—and needs 2,320, a figure he has bettered in each of his three seasons, to surpass Flutie.

Others to watch: Bill Byrne of Navy, Cody Carlson of Baylor, Chris Chandler of Washington, Chip Ferguson of Florida State, Rickey Foggie of Minnesota, Steve Gage of Tulsa, Mike Greenfield of Northwestern, Jamelle Hollaway of Oklahoma, Alfred Jenkins of Arizona, Erik Kramer of North Carolina State, Gerald Landry of Houston, Don Majkowski of Virginia, Brian McDonald of Wichita State, Don McPherson of Syracuse, Bill Ransdell of Kentucky, Steve Slayden of Duke, Kelly Stouffer of

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Superb linebacking will be a keynote of this season with LSU's Michael Brooks among the best.

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Colorado State, Jeff Van Raaphorst of Arizona State and Ronnie Williams of Oklahoma State.

If ever a player was qualified to be called a "sensational sophomore," it was Michigan State's White. His 1,908 rushing yards not only led the nation but broke the Big Ten single-season record of 1,655 set by Ohio State's Keith Byars the previous year, as well as the NCAA sophomore mark of 1,891 by Georgia's Herschel Walker in 1981.

White doesn't have sprinter speed, although tackle Steve Bogdalek says he gets "through the hole so fast that we can't believe some of the runs he makes." But he is 5-11, 205, strong and durable.

"I wonder about Lorenzo sometimes," quarterback Dave Yarema said last year. "I keep asking him how he feels because he runs so much (386 carries). He gets hit. Then he gets hit again but he keeps getting up. He's amazing."

Nine other rushers from last year's top 20 are back—Palmer (2), Thomas (4), Miami of Ohio's George Swann (5), DuBose (9), Colorado State's Steve Bartalo (10), Pitt's Charles Gladman (13), Missouri's Darrell Wallace (16), Wisconsin's Larry Emery (17) and Cincinnati's Reggie Taylor (18).

Temple's Palmer averaged 168.4 yards a game—second to White's 173.5—before missing the last two contests with an injury. He also finished second in all-purpose yardage with 193.7 yards a game and has a streak of 12 straight 100-yard rushing games. In 1985, he set Temple rushing records for yards in a game, season and career, and he is on the verge of smashing a bunch of others.

In two seasons, Oklahoma State's Thomas has rushed for 2,493 yards and 22 touchdowns, thrown four touchdown passes from his tailback position, caught a pass and returned a punt for a TD. His 1985 figures were 1,553 yards on 302 carries and the Associated Press voted him Big Eight Offensive Player of

the Year. He was the team's Gator Bowl MVP.

Thomas and DuBose give the Big Eight two of the nation's premier ball-toters. DuBose is the only Nebraska back to rush for more than 1000 yards both as a sophomore and junior. He underwent arthroscopic knee surgery in February but is expected to be at full speed when fall drills begin. For the season, DuBose carried 203 times for 1,161 yards. He also returned nine kickoffs for a whopping 29.1-yard average.

Others to watch: David Adams of Arizona, Jeff Atkins of SMU, Eric Ball and Gaston Green of UCLA, Lydell Carr and Spencer Tillman of Oklahoma, D.J. Dozier, Steve Smith and Tim Manoa of Penn State, Pat Evans of Air Force, Rick Fenney of Washington, Brent Fullwood of Auburn, Chris Hardy of San Diego State, Lakei Heimuli of Brigham Young, Keith Henderson of Georgia, Marc Hicks of California, Alonzo Highsmith of Miami (Fla.), John Holifield of West Virginia, Sloan Hood of Houston, Kirk Jones of Nevada-Las Vegas, James Mackey of Pacific, Brad Muster of Stanford, Jesse Owens of Ohio University, Howard Petty of Virginia, James Rouse of Arkansas, Troy Stradford of Boston College, James Williams of Fresno State and Carl Woods of Vanderbilt.

Stanford's Muster made the All-Pac-10 team at fullback. He rushed for 521 yards in nine games. But he also caught 78 passes to lead the conference in receiving while setting school and conference single-season records. The do-it-all Muster was Stanford's leading rusher, receiver and scorer in 1985.

The top returning wide receiver is Tulane's Marc Zeno, who finished fifth nationally a year ago with 73 receptions for 1,137 yards. Other returning top 20 receivers are Utah's Loren Richey (7), Long Beach State's Charles Lockett (9), Brigham Young's Mark Bellini (10), fullback Mark Templeton of Long Beach State (11), New Mexico State's Joe Rowley (14),

BYU tailback Heimuli (15), Indiana's Kenny Allen (tie 16) and Vanderbilt running back Everett Crawford (tie 16).

Keep an eye on Mississippi's J.R. Ambrose, Stephen Baker "The Touchdown Maker" and Gene Taylor of Fresno State, Alabama's Al Bell, Wake Forest's James Brim, Notre Dame's Tim Brown, Purdue's Rick Brunner, Ohio State's Cris Carter, Donnie Centers and James Shibley of Arkansas, Baylor's Matt Clark, Arizona State's Aaron Cox, Northwestern's Curtis Duncan, Hart Lee Dykes and Bobby Riley of Oklahoma State, Duke's Doug Green, Memphis State's Jerry Harris, Lonzell "Mo" Hill of Washington, Florida State's Darrin Holloman, Arizona's Jon Horton, Michigan State's Mark Ingram, Stanford's Jeff James, Missouri's Herbert "Junebug" Johnson, Georgia Tech's Gary Lee, Temple's Willie Marshall, Kelvin Martin of Boston College, Vanderbilt's Gerald "Boo" Mitchell, SMU's Ron Morris, Florida's Ricky Nattiel, Clemson's Terrance Roulhac, Scott Schwedes of Syracuse, South Carolina's Sterling Sharpe, Texas Tech's Wayne Walker and Auburn's Freddie Weygand.

If you watched Oklahoma win the national championship in the Orange Bowl, you saw Keith Jackson play a major role—and the game wasn't even on ABC-TV. This Keith Jackson is a 6-3, 241-pound tight end, a great blocker and receiver whose speed gives the Sooners a dimension they have lacked in the past.

Against Texas, he turned a slant pass into a 43-yard gain that set up the tying touchdown. Against Nebraska, he raced 88 yards on an end-around for the game's first touchdown. And against Penn State in the Orange Bowl, he got behind the secondary and grabbed a bomb from Holieway—on third and 24, no less—for a 71-yard touchdown that put the Sooners ahead 10-7, a lead they never relinquished.

Others to watch: Bobby DeBisschop of Oregon, Rob Dickerson of Army, Ferrell Edmunds of Maryland, Jon Embree of Colorado, Mike Flagg of Iowa, Ron Hall of Hawaii, Trevor Molini of Brigham Young, Albert Reese of SMU, Clemson's Jim Riggs and Ricky Stone of Texas Christian.

All the runners, passers and receivers who ever played the game wouldn't be worth a hoot without the large people who do their dirty work in the pit—i.e., the line of scrimmage.

Georgia Tech's John Davis (6-4, 292) and Missouri's John Clay (6-5, 270) will draw their share of preseason publicity. Davis, who has played both tackle and center, will be a fourth-year starter who could turn out to be Tech's best-ever offensive lineman. As a sophomore, he earned the tag of "Refrigerator Mover" for his performance against Clemson nose guard William Perry. Clay is considered the most dominant blocker in Missouri history.

Others to watch: North Carolina's Harris Barton, Miami of Ohio's Dan Dalrymple, Jim

Davis of Kansas, Pitt's Randy Dixon, Washington's Kevin Gogan, Oklahoma's Greg Johnson, Wake Forest's Tim Morrison, Russell Moses of Rice, Todd Peat of Northern Illinois, Baylor's Joel Porter, Indiana's Bob Riley, Auburn's Stacy Searels, Steve Trapilo of Boston College, Arizona State's Danny Villa, Nebraska's Tom Welter, Tennessee's Bruce Wilkerson, Central Michigan's Brian Williams and Florida's David Williams.

A pair of All-Americans return at guard in Florida's Jeff Zimmerman (6-4, 310) and Southern Cal's Jeff Bregel (6-4, 280). Zimmerman, a two-year starter, is the first non-senior lineman in Florida history to earn All-America status. Says one NFL scout: "You just don't see 300-pound, tall linemen who can move like he moves."

Bregel has been a three-year starter at weak-side guard, and this fall he will switch to the strong side. Southern Cal has a tradition of great offensive linemen—someone has to clear the way for all those Heisman Trophy-winning tailbacks—and line coach Pat Morris says Bregel "can be as good as any lineman who's ever come through here." He can also become USC's first offensive lineman since World War II to start every game for four straight seasons.

Others to watch: Tulsa's David Alexander, San Diego State's Doug Aronson, Baylor's Mark Bates, Wyoming's Pete Baldacci, Bowling Green's Mike Estep, Lee Getz of Rutgers, Oklahoma's Mark Hutson and Anthony Phillips, Leonard Isacks of Southwestern Louisiana, Wake Forest's Paul Kiser, Colorado State's Edgar Mitchell, Missouri's Phil Pettet, Central Michigan's Rick Poljan and Fullerton State's Mark Stephenson.

Auburn center Ben Tamburello (6-3, 259) was the pillar of an offensive line that helped Bo Jackson win the 1985 Heisman Trophy. He started all season, graded out a winner in every game, and Coach Pat Dye calls him "the most consistent lineman we've had."

Others to watch: Baylor's John Adickes, Colorado's Eric Coyle, Colorado State's Guy Goar, Minnesota's Ray Hitchcock, Ball State's Craig Kantner, Ohio State's Bob Maggs, Alabama's Wes Neighbors, Gregg Rakoczy of Miami (Fla.), Texas Tech's Chris Tanner and Arizona's Joe Tofflemire.

Oklahoma's Tony Casillas and Mike Ruth of Boston College, last year's premier nose guards, have departed, but SMU thinks Jerry Ball (6-0, 278) is in the same class. Ball was named All-Southwest Conference by seven different organizations and SWC Defensive Player of the Year by the *Dallas Times Herald*.

Others to watch: Northern Illinois' Doug Bartlett, Arkansas' Tony Cherico, North Carolina's Tim Goad, Alabama's Curt Jarvis, Nebraska's Danny Noonan, Texas Christian's Kent Tramel, UCLA's Terry Turney and California's Majett Whiteside.

The Western Athletic Conference is known

as a pass-happy league, but you win with defense even in the WAC, and Hawaii's Dick Tomey calls BYU tackle Jason Buck (6-6, 270) "the best defensive player in the conference since I've been here (nine years). He's the most dominating player I've seen. On film, nobody's blocked him." Buck is a converted quarterback who can bench-press 450 pounds and has clocked a 4.6 40.

Miami of Florida defensive tackle Jerome Brown (6-3, 275) will find it tough to steal the spotlight from Testaverde. It will be much easier if he piles up numbers like he did in Miami's big win over Oklahoma: 16 tackles, two sacks, a forced fumble and a blocked field-goal try.

Other defensive linemen to watch: Memphis State's Dennis Borcky, North Carolina's Reuben Davis, Illinois' Scott Davis, Southwestern Louisiana's Joe DeForest, Iowa's Jeff Drost, San Diego State's Levi Esene, Western Michigan's Mark Garalczyk, Baylor's Steve Grumbine, Georgia's Henry Harris, Chad Hennings of Air Force, Kansas State's Kevin Humphrey, BYU's Shawn Knight, West Virginia's Jeff Lucas, Oregon's Dave Maley, Maryland's Bruce Mesner, Michigan's Mark Messner, Hawaii's Al Noga, Auburn's Tracy Rocker, Washington's Reggie Rogers, Texas A&M's Rod Saddler, Nebraska's Chris Spachman, Florida's Keith Williams and Pitt's Tony Woods.

Baylor cornerback Ron Francis led the Southwest Conference with six interceptions—he was the Bears' top rusher as a sophomore—and was named Defensive Player of the Year by *The Dallas Morning News*. Yet, he was not the most decorated player in the Bears' secondary. That honor went to All-America free safety Thomas Everett. They helped Baylor limit opponents to a 43.4 completion percentage for the nation's third-best pass defense in

'85. Oh, by the way, Everett was named SWC Defensive Player of the Year by *The Houston Post*. He led the secondary with 103 tackles, second on the team.

Oklahoma State free safety Mark Moore also is a returning All-American who tied for third nationally with seven interceptions and has returned three of his 14 career thefts for touchdowns. He is best known, however, for his open-field tackling ability. The top returning pass-stealer is Tom Rotello of Air Force, who had eight.

Other defensive backs to watch: Pitt's Teryl Austin, Sonny Brown and Ricky Dixon of Oklahoma, Arizona's Chuck Cecil, Maryland's Keeta Covington, West Virginia's Travis Curtis, North Carolina's Norris Davis, Navy's Marc Firle, Temple's Pervis Herder, Oklahoma State's Mike Hudson, Oregon's Ed Hulbert, LSU's Norman Jefferson, Georgia's John Little, Chris Major and Greg Philpot of South Carolina, Southern Cal's Tim McDonald, Toledo's Harold McGuire, Texas Tech's Roland Mitchell, Texas Christian's Falanda Newton, Oregon State's Lavance Northington, Markus Paul of Syracuse, Auburn's Tom Powell, Colorado's Mickey Pruitt, Michigan's Garland Rivers, Alabama's Freddie Robinson, Fresno State's Michael Stewart and Rod Webster, UCLA's James Washington, Florida's Jarvis Williams, Purdue's Rod Woodson and Wayne Ziegler of Kansas.

Cynics will say the thin air is responsible, but the fact remains that the nation's top two punters last year were Mark Simon of Air Force (47.3) and Colorado's Barry Helton (46.0). They're back, along with these other members of the top 20: Steve Kidd of Rice (3), Mississippi's Bill Smith (5), Alabama's Chris Mohr (7), Michigan State's Greg Montgomery (10), SMU's Dodge Carter (12), Houston's Robert Myers (13), Vanderbilt's Alan Herline (14), Florida State's Louis Berry (15), New Mexico's Ron Keller (16), Bob Hulberg of Nevada-Las Vegas (18), Arkansas' Greg Horne (19) and Ohio State's Tom Tupa (20).

Ball State placekicker John Dietrich led the nation with 25 field goals—in 29 attempts. He was 4-of-4 from 50 yards and beyond, 5-of-8 from 40-49 yards, 9-of-10 from 30-39 and 7-of-7 inside the 30. He also put 30 of 50 kickoffs into the end zone.

Other placekickers to watch: Fresno State's Barry Belli, Notre Dame's John Carney, Northwestern's John Duvic, Florida's Jeff Dawson, Utah State's Dene Garner, Michigan's Mike Gillette, Wisconsin's Todd Gregoire, Utah's Andre Guardi, Miami of Ohio's Gary Gussman, South Carolina's Scott Hagler, Iowa's Rob Houghtlin, Washington's Jeff Jaeger, Nebraska's Dale Klein, Penn State's Massimo Manca, Pacific's Ken Norgaard, Tennessee's Carlos Reveiz, Florida State's Derek Schmidt, Alabama's Van Tiffin, Jeff Ward of Texas, Missouri's Tom Whelihan and Kentucky's Joe Worley.

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The Great Rivalries

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by Galyn Wilkins

It has lasted longer than the Wars of the Roses, longer than the Hatfields vs. the McCoys, and sometimes it seems as fiercely fought as the Normans vs. the Saxons.

We're talking Rivalry here, with a capital R. Rivalry as in the University of Texas vs. Texas A&M. Ninety-one years of air raids—*real* air raids—cattle rustling, pregame conflagrations that make the Chicago Fire look like a patio barbecue, close games, blowout games, games resembling a concerto with

four perfect movements and games with no rhyme or reason.

Just to say they take it seriously is an understatement. They take it personally. They take it as one of life's larger responsibilities. Just last year, for example, A&M Coach Jackie Sherrill was watching from his office window as students piled up logs for the annual pre-Texas game bonfire.

"Doesn't look like a Boy Scout campfire," thought Sherrill as the logs were hoisted by crane and guided by nervous but steady

hands into place 100 feet above the ground.

Responding to an inner trumpet call to action, Sherrill bolted out of his office, climbed the stack of logs and joined the bonfire engineers. The idea, see, is that anyone in Aggeland or Longhornland is willing to risk his neck the week of the game.

In recent years, frankly, some of the creativity has been extinguished in this great bonfire of a football series. Some of it has been legislated out, of course, because

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High jinks preceding the Texas-Texas A&M game reach a fiery climax in College Station when the great bonfire is lit. The coaches, Jackie Sherrill of the Aggies and Fred Akers of the Longhorns, don't get too heated—until the game starts.



the kids were getting a little *too* creative.

In the 1950s, for example, the Aggies were working on plans for stealing the Texas mascot, a 1,500-pound steer named Bevo. One of them probably said, "We've done that before. Let's try something different."

So, in the space of eight hours one night, they traveled the state in commando groups and stole every mascot in the Southwest Conference, including the Arkansas razorback and the Texas longhorn.

The last theft occurred in 1972, when Texas' Bevo made yet another trip to College Station in a U-Haul trailer. After that, conference rules were passed prohibiting such pranks. Bevo the steer and Reveille the collie have slept peacefully ever since.

The series has been anything but peaceful, though. It continues to burn as bright as the Aggie bonfire. Their match three years ago was one of the biggest double-barreled surprises in the history of Kyle Field in College Station, one of those games so shattered by unreal events that it can't be put back together in a logical explanation.

Texas was unbeaten and rolling toward an almost certain national championship. The Aggies were 5-4-1 and hoping to fire one last shocking shot at the end of the season.

They almost did, taking a 13-0 lead in the second period. That was hard enough to believe. Much harder to comprehend was the Longhorns' comeback. Riding the arm of quarterback Rick McIvor, they scored 45 points in a 15-minute blitzkrieg and won

45-13. The Aggies, however, not only had the last laugh that season, as Texas lost its national championship bid on an upset by Georgia in the Cotton Bowl, but have won the last two games in convincing fashion 37-12 and 42-10.

It's about time, the Aggies say. For reasons not revealed by musty archives, they got off to a terrible start, losing the first seven matches with Texas, starting in 1894, all shutouts.

And then Charley Moran arrived in College Station. We can picture him riding onto the Aggie campus astride a white horse, six-shooters strapped to his waist, "Beat Texas" buttons pinned to his tunic.

This was 1909 and Moran was the Aggies' 10th football coach. Thus, their impatience with coaches was established early. Moran's first words were, "I didn't come here to lose."

He didn't. He is the only Aggie coach whose teams defeated Texas twice in one year. By the middle of 1910, his second season, the Aggies had a 10-game winning streak. Moran had lit the fire.

Texas authorities suspected a rat in the woodpile and, sure enough, one of Moran's stars admitted later that "from time to time we used boys of questionable academic pedigree."

Texas broke off relations, diplomatic and otherwise, with the Aggies after the 1911 game. A verse chanted in the saloons of Austin shows what Texas students and fans thought of Moran:

*To hell, to hell with Charley Moran
And all his dirty crew,
And if you don't like the words of this song,
To hell, to hell with you.*

When the schools decided to resume combat in 1915, Moran was fired, probably in a concession to the powerful politicians at Texas—but the Longhorns had not heard the last of Charley Moran.

From exile in Kentucky, Moran wrote each Aggie player, urging him to "beat those people from Austin, if you still love me and think anything of me."

There must have been something of a mystic hangover from the Moran years, because in the first game after his departure, the Longhorns fumbled 12 times and A&M won 13-0.

A&M students carried their heroes off the field, then helped Longhorn rooters carry their warriors to the dressing room. It was a peace that couldn't last, and didn't.

The next year, Texas avenged that 13-0 loss 21-7 and celebrated by acquiring a mascot, a cantankerous Longhorn steer. In 1917, Texas students planned to parade the steer at the Aggie game in College Station with 21-7 branded into his flank.

In the dead of night before the game, a Model-T Ford chugged off toward Austin, loaded with Aggies and branding irons. The next morning, the student wranglers at Texas were appalled to discover that their prize mascot had been branded with the 13-0 score of the 1915 game.

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Bevo, the Texas mascot, is steered onto the battlefield for the annual event.

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Oddly enough, a billboard proclaiming the quenching delights of Bevo Beer solved the problem. An enterprising student took a branding iron and changed the 13-0 to B E V O. Bevo Beer didn't survive, but Texas mascots have been called Bevo ever since.

If the Aggies' favorite target has been Bevo, the Longhorns have long been dedicated to watering down the A&M bonfire. In 1915, due to incendiary causes still unknown, the bonfire exploded. A witness, C.E. Griesser, who still lives near the campus, recalled that incident recently. "It scattered Aggies and wood from hell to break-

fast and left a hole 10 feet deep," he said.

In 1948, a Texas student was buzzing the bonfire in an airplane when he ran out of gas. After a forced landing, Aggie students removed the wings and threw them into the bonfire. Following a lengthy discussion, they set the nervous pilot free.

By 1920 the game had become an annual crusade for players, students and fans of both schools. A paragraph in the 1920 Texas student newspaper says it all: "The A&M game is at hand and classes and quizzes are mere details."

A&M had hired Dana X. Bible, who later

would "jump ship" and, after eight years at Nebraska, become a legend at Texas, where he coached 10 years.

The Aggies knew Bible had built something in 1920 when his team wiped out Daniel Baker 110-0 in the season opener. By the time the Aggies arrived in Austin for the last game of the year, they hadn't yielded a single point.

Though 1920 is beyond the memory and hindsight of most fans, and beyond videotape, of course, it must have been one of the greatest games in the history of the series. Maybe it was even, as the *Austin American-Statesman* declared, "the greatest athletic contest ever played in Texas."

You can imagine the players bashing noses, denting leather helmets, wiping the blood off their knuckles on moleskin pants.

What the Aggies couldn't imagine was Texas scoring a touchdown in the fourth quarter for a 7-3 victory, winding up a perfect 9-0 season. In a sneak preview of things to come much later, the Longhorns, exasperated after hammering at the Aggie defense all afternoon, pulled a trick pass play. They made tackle Tom Dennis eligible with a quick shift, and he caught a long pass at the A&M 3. Texas scored on the next play, bringing the first of 22 Southwest Conference titles to Austin.

Two years later, Bible used a shift of his own—to the history books. At halftime in Austin, where the Aggies had never won, Bible reminded his squad of the Alamo legend where Colonel William B. Travis supposedly drew a line in the dirt floor and invited all who wanted to stay and fight the huge Mexican force to step across the line and join him.

"Now men," Bible said, screeching a chalk line across the locker room floor, "those who want to become known as the first A&M team to defeat Texas in Austin, step over the line."

Bible was almost trampled in the rush, and the Aggies broke the 7-7 halftime tie and won 14-7.

Among the heroes illuminated by the rivalry, none symbolized its spirit more than Ed Bluestein, captain of the 1923 Longhorns.

After A&M's 14-7 upset in 1922, Bluestein, a senior, got up in the depressed Texas locker room and said, "I want another crack at the Aggies and I'm going to do something about it."

The next day he asked his calculus professor to flunk him so he could come back for another crack. The crack was hardly what he had in mind, however. He broke his leg on the Monday before the annual Thanksgiving Day bash.

Nevertheless, the Longhorns scored on a fumble recovery in the first quarter and held on for a 6-0 victory. Bluestein lived

Cheerleaders and drumbeaters never miss a chance to stir the A&M-Texas crowd.





Dana X. Bible coached at both Texas A&M and Texas, but his son, Bill, was a Longhorn from the start.

happily ever after, first as a Texas assistant coach and then as a highway patrolman stationed near the A&M campus.

Eventually, after Bear Bryant left A&M and Darrell Royal arrived at Texas with the makings of a dynasty, the Longhorns began to take charge of the series. They reeled off 10 straight wins, until in 1967 Edd Hargett threw an 80-yard missile to Bob Long that propelled the Aggies to a 10-7 victory and the conference title.

"There were several years when we didn't have the manpower to keep up with Texas," remembers Gene Stallings, then the Aggies' coach. "That's why we came up with those plays we called Texas Specials."

Stallings pulled the chair from under the Longhorns in 1965 and 1966. In the first game, he had quarterback Harry Ledbetter throw what looked like a misdirected pass toward Jim Kauffman in the flat.

"We rehearsed every bit of it," Stallings says. "Ledbetter had to throw the ball into the ground and turn around disgusted. Kauffman had to angrily kick the ground and start back toward the huddle."

Suddenly, Kauffman picked up the ball and threw it downfield to Dude McLean. Bang! A 91-yard exploding cigar. See, it wasn't an incomplete pass Ledbetter threw

to Kauffman, but a lateral. Live ball. Ha-ha.

The trick not only astounded the Kyle Field crowd, but sent the giggling Aggies into a 17-0 lead. But, as Stallings would discover in the second half and in the rematch in Austin the next year, tricks are only fleeting, rickety glimpses of success. Texas came back from that 17-0 surprise to win 21-17.

Stallings pulled the Texas Special II the next year. Long, the kickoff receiver, faked a handoff to Lloyd Curington, ran toward the sideline, stopped at his 15 and threw a long lateral back to Curington, who ran 74 yards before he was apprehended for the fraud. The Aggies scored and crept to within 7-6, but Texas went on to a 22-14 victory.

"Those plays were fun," Kauffman said not long ago, "and we realized they weren't good, sound football. But when you're outmanned, as we were, you have to get any edge you can."

Field Scovell, now a Cotton Bowl impresario, was involved in a classic backfire as an Aggie guard in 1928. The Aggies had a play where the ball was hidden behind the flexed knee of a guard, there to be picked up by a furtive runner.

A Texas player, however, spotted it, grabbed it and headed toward the goal line.

Scovell, the guard on the opposite side, chased the thief and caught him a few yards short of a touchdown.

"A lot of good that did," Scovell says now. "We lost anyway 19-0."

Hargett's classy game in A&M's 1967 triumph erased the nightmares of the backfires and the long Texas winning streaks.

But he soon discovered that in this rivalry a man can be standing with his cleats on the other team's neck one year and have them shoved down his throat the next year.

When Hargett met the Longhorns at the end of the 1968 season, he had thrown 176 passes without an interception. They intercepted him five times en route to a 35-14 victory.

In 1975, the Longhorns took the nation's top offense into Kyle Field—and lost 20-10. The Texas quarterback, Marty Akins, was on the sideline most of the afternoon, sitting out an injury. It was a lifeboat of an explanation the Longhorns quickly jumped in after the game.

"If they say that was the reason they lost," barked Aggie linebacker Ed Simonini, "well, they're sick. I don't like 'em anyway."

The feeling has always been mutual.

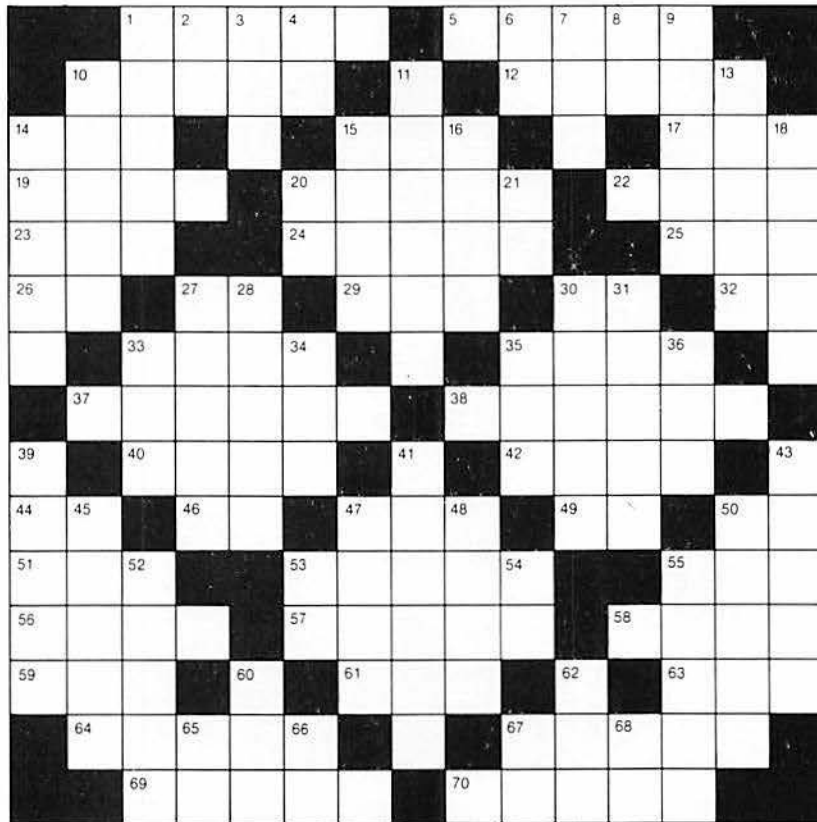
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14. The great Sac and Fox
15. "The Greek's" game
17. Oklahoma Coach Owen's first name (short)
19. A Page out of Notre Dame
20. Washington tackle Weinmeister
22. Texas mascot
23. Big stat: yards --- carry
24. Yellow Jacket Pund
25. Purdue's Dawson
26. 1967 Trojan linebacker (initials)
27. 1985 Heisman winner
29. Fesler of Buckeyes
30. Star Seminole receiver of the '60s (initials)
32. Is Columbia scheduling SMU?
33. Official's decision
35. Hurricane George
37. Versatile Baugh's primary function
38. Neyland's '38 tailback
40. Official gets one only
42. Tailgate teetotaler drinks
44. Unsung upfront (initials)
46. Ace '55 Spartan guard (initials)
47. "Let's --- going!"

49. Famed Kentucky punter of long ago (initials)
50. Agganis alma mater
51. Toughest conference?
53. The Fridge from "Death Valley"
55. Conversion attempt
56. John David ----
57. Number Oneism
58. Had only Heisman repeater
59. What ticket prices need
61. Paterno predecessor
63. Effigy hangman's hangout
64. Forerunner of scrimmage
67. Harpaston football's origin
69. Mucho macho
70. Longhorn coaching king

DOWN

1. Vanderbilt's No. 1 end
2. Pulls, traps and charges (initials)
3. Where Charley Brock centered (abbr.)
4. Won more than Bear (initials)
6. Keeler, famed Georgia scribe
7. A pass defense
8. Out-of-the-world play
9. Ole Miss player
10. Smith, Frank Thomas' 1934-35 QB
11. Starts every play
13. What Big Eight was
14. Hosts only Asiatic bowl

15. "Tastes great"—commercial
16. Kissing your sisters
18. Slugging, clipping, spearing
20. Writers' Top 20
21. Northwestern's fullback "Pug" (initials)
27. Fundamental
28. Utah State's Merlin
30. Plays in the band
31. The real 12th man
33. The Iron Major
34. --- Palmer, '98 All-America end
35. The disciplinary rug
36. 1986 Cotton Kings
39. Courageous Cougar
41. Led Greenies to Rose Bowl
43. Indian Joe
45. Coached by Byrd, Bryant and Tatum
47. Uniform
48. Road game
50. One-yard line
52. Everybody's scapegoat
53. When all games used to start
54. Tittle of LSU
55. Small Keystone State school
60. Yesterday's hero today
62. Coach Hayden who?
65. Eligible receiver, archaic (initials)
66. All recruiters woo her
67. "--- team ---!"
68. Coached Nile Kinnick (initials)

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Bill McCartney eyes a top-division finish.

(Big Eight Predictions continued)

last season. Robb Schnitzler was the No. 1 receiver but he caught only 16 passes. Osborne says the passing game must be improved. The quarterbacks are McCathorn Clayton and Steve Taylor.

The Cornhuskers' defense revolves around middle guard Danny Noonan, tackle Chris Spachman and linebacker Kevin Parsons. The secondary is established.

To many Big Eight observers, All-America running back Thurman Thomas is Oklahoma State. The Cowboys have a passing combo that can put the hurt on you in a hurry. Quarterback Ronnie Williams has a strong arm. Bobby Riley has home-run potential as a receiver.

The Oklahoma State secondary is safeties Mark Moore and Mike Hudson.

Colorado returns eight defensive regulars and a great punter in Barry Helton. Strong safety Mickey Pruitt and linebacker Barry Remington are leaders. The offense has line gaps to be filled.

Different degrees of optimism can be found in the second half of the Big Eight. Iowa State should finish fifth. The Cyclones are strong on defense. Linebackers Jeff Braswell and Dennis Gibson are the best.

Kansas is the pick for sixth. New Coach Bob Valesente inherited defensive standouts, especially linebackers Rick Bredesen and John Randolph, and free safety Wayne Ziegler.

Missouri has 14 returning regulars from a team that went 1-10. Improvement will be noticeable in the offensive line. Tackle John Clay may be an All-American. Junebug Johnson caught a school-record 49 passes last season. End Dick Chapura leads the defense.

Kansas State is entering a reconstruction period. New Coach Stan Parrish has a pair of defensive linemen, Kevin Humphrey and Jeff Hurd, to hem up some of his problems and a good punter, Troy Faunce, to kick some of them away.

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ALL-BIG EIGHT

Offense

Placekicker
Dale Klein
Nebraska

Darrell Wallace
Missouri



Doug DuBose
Nebraska



Thurman Thomas
Oklahoma State



Jamelle Holleway
Oklahoma



Keith Jackson
Oklahoma



Tom Welter
Nebraska



Mark Hutson
Oklahoma



Eric Coyle
Colorado



Anthony Phillips
Oklahoma



John Clay
Missouri



Herbert Johnson
Missouri



Darrell Reed
Oklahoma



Chris Spachman
Nebraska



Danny Noonan
Nebraska



Dick Chapura
Missouri



Brian Davis
Nebraska



Jeff Braswell
Iowa State



Brian Bosworth
Oklahoma



Barry Remington
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Mike Hudson
Oklahoma State



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Mickey Pruitt
Colorado



Mike Hudson
Oklahoma State



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Mickey Pruitt
Colorado



Mickey Pruitt
Colorado

Punter
Barry Helton
Colorado

Defense

How about the coaching job at Kansas State? Anybody interested? Well, it turned out somebody was.

Stan Parrish bought it, lock, stock and lack of a winning tradition. Larry Travis, Kansas State athletic director, did the selling.

"This guy could sell the Brooklyn Bridge," says Parrish. "Larry was the driving force in my decision to come to Kansas State. He's a great salesman."

Consider what Travis unloaded on Parrish, who came to Manhattan, Kan., from Marshall University.

Kansas State's 1985 record was 1-10. Jim Dickey, Parrish's predecessor, resigned under pressure after the second game of the season. Lee Moon, assistant athletic director, served as interim coach for the remaining nine games. He beat Missouri, also 1-10, 20-17.

"Everybody tells me, 'You can't win at Kansas State,' but I think that any program can be successful. . . . There is no question that we have a great challenge."

Kansas State's football record in the last half century is 131-361-13. During that time, the Wildcats finished in the first division of the Big Eight only five times, tying for second place twice. They've never won or shared a conference championship, and they've played in only one bowl.

In 1982 Dickey coached the Wildcats to their fifth winning record (6-5-1) in the past 50 years and a trip to the Independence Bowl. They lost 14-3 to Wisconsin.

Kansas State's all-time winning percentage, .388, may be the lowest among the nation's major colleges.

Despite that history, Parrish began his own sales job the day his hiring was announced.

"Everybody tells me, 'You can't win at Kansas State,' but I think that any program can be successful," Parrish told the media. "At Kansas State, everybody is thinking positive now. There is no question that we have a great challenge."

"I don't believe in using the word rebuild. I came here to win this fall. If you delay the goal of winning, you are not going to win."

Parrish sold that philosophy at Marshall University. His 1984 team went 6-5, the first winning record at the NCAA Division I-AA school in 20 years. In 1985, his second and final year there, Marshall was 7-3-1.

Parrish won at Marshall by having his quarterback, Carl Fodor, throw the football. In two years, he passed for 5,326 yards and 35 touchdowns. In one game, Fodor attempted 60 passes.

"We start throwing the ball getting off the bus at the stadium," Parrish says.

Prior to taking the job at Marshall, Parrish spent a year as quarterback coach at Purdue and five seasons as head coach at Wabash College in Crawfordsville, Ind. His record there was 42-3-1. He had successive records of 10-0, 8-1, 8-0-1, 8-1 and 8-1.

Parrish's father was football coach at Berea High School near Cleveland. The elder Parrish's teams rarely threw the ball. "I don't think he likes watching my teams play," Parrish says.

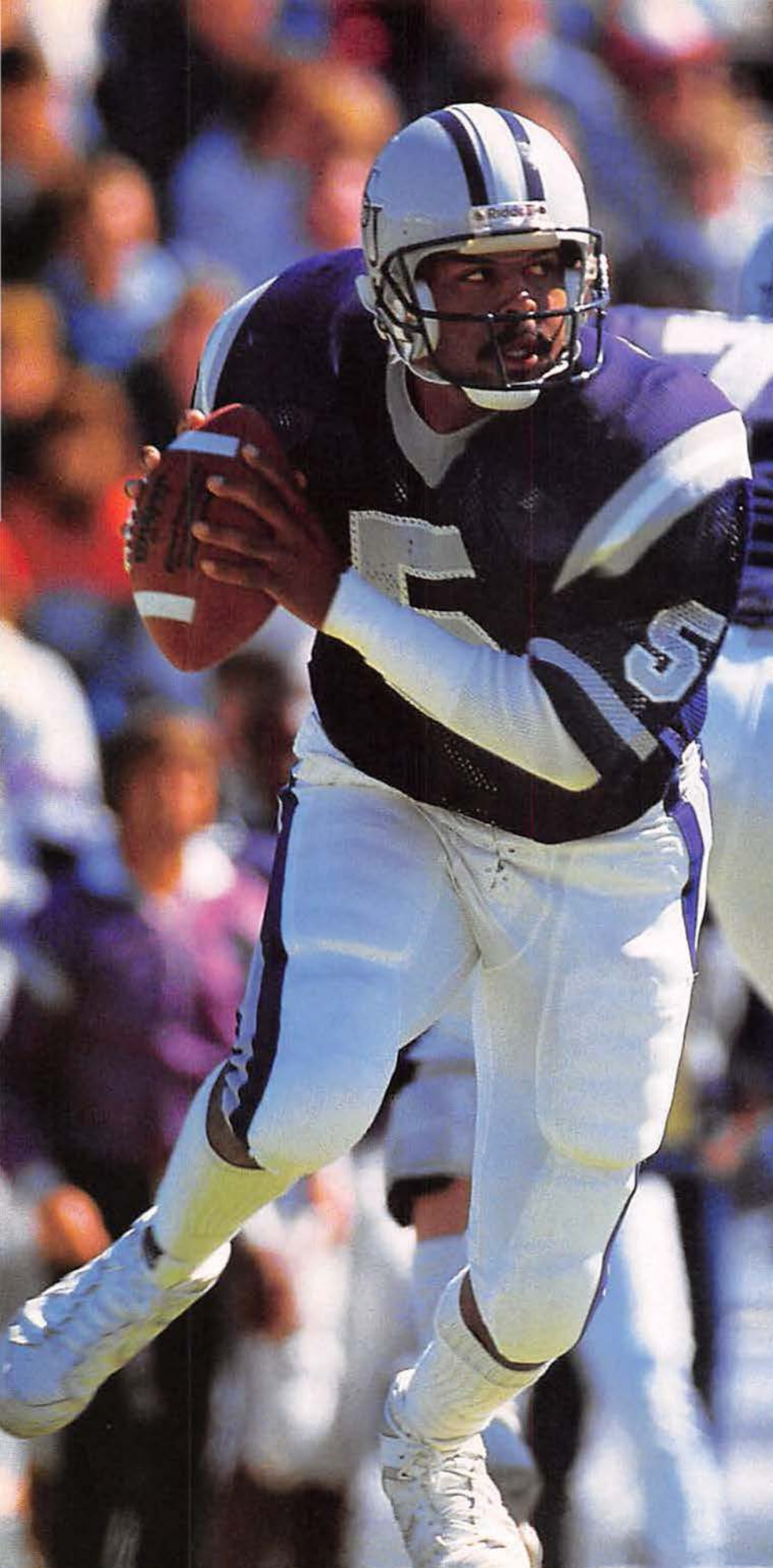
"For better or worse, we're going to put the ball in the air. We'll be able to move the ball in a hurry. I don't think our players will ever feel we are out of the game. It's the way to make your football program quickly competitive. If you don't have talent, it gives you a chance."

In Parrish, Travis found a man who intends to bring excitement to a program that ranked 105th out of 105 in total offense last season.

Before Parrish can sell his system, however, he has to sell his men on themselves. "The self-image of the players at Kansas State has to be upgraded," he says. "They need a plan to enable them to win, and they need to be convinced that they will be winners. State of mind is half the battle."

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"Think pass" is quarterback Randy Williams' dictum in the first year of Air Parrish.

(Kansas State continued)

Kansas State's commitment to improving its football program was manifested not only in the hiring of Parrish, but also in a bolstered recruiting budget, now nearly \$250,000, and increased salaries for assistant coaches.

Parrish recruited heavily out of state. This year's freshman class does not include a single scholarship player from Kansas.

"We're recruiting on a national basis," Parrish says. "Obviously, we'll try and recruit the best players from this state and this area. But with parity and scholarship limitations, you've got to widen your scope."

Though Parrish is determined to have immediate success, he's been given time. He signed a four-year contract worth a reported \$65,000 a year.

"I took a job nobody else wanted," Parrish says, "but when we start winning, others will wish they were the coach. Maybe I'm not very bright; maybe I haven't been taught a lesson. But I've never lost."

Travis is equally optimistic. "I think we found one of the brightest young coaches in America," he says. "The commitment is there from the institution to make our football program No. 1."

If Air Parrish is to get off the ground this fall, Kansas State will need a quarterback who understands the new pro-style passing system and can execute it. Senior John Welch and junior Randy Williams started at the position a year ago, but neither distinguished himself.

The Wildcats ranked fifth in the Big Eight and 94th in the nation in passing offense, completing only 44 percent. They attempted an average of 24 a game.

Freshman redshirts Keith Barenberg and Steve Mallory had an opportunity to show what they could do during spring drills. But the key to Kansas State's offense could be held by one of three new quarterbacks: Tim Hansen from Golden West (Calif.) Junior College or incoming freshmen Chris Cobb and Eric Harper from Texas.

Junior flanker Todd Elder and junior tight end Kent Dean (6-4, 225) are among eight returning starters on offense and should provide good targets for whomever is throwing the ball. Elder was second on the team in receiving a year ago, catching 16 passes for 154 yards and two touchdowns.

Sophomore Mark Wentzel, who ranked second in the conference and 12th in the nation in punt returns, also should fit in the passing patterns.

Pass protection will depend on an offensive line built around guard Bob Bessert (6-2, 275) and tackle Rockey Dvorak (6-5, 280). Both are seniors. Sophomore Rob Goode (6-2, 230) probably will be the center.

Senior tackle Dana Dimel (6-4, 280) and sophomore guard Brian Curry (6-2, 250) also saw considerable action, providing experience upfront.

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← *It may not be stretching things to predict that Kent Dean will get more catchable passes.*

(Kansas State continued)

Junior fullback Ray Wilson and senior tailback Todd Moody were starters a year ago in an attack that ranked 101st in Division I-A of the NCAA in rushing offense. Wilson gained 367 yards and Moody 343.

It's easy to understand why the Wildcats were "mild" Cats in 1985 and scored only 101 points. They made 12 touchdowns.

"I am confident we will move the football," Parrish says.

Kansas State also must improve on defense after a season in which it ranked last in the conference against the run. In total defense and scoring defense, the Wildcats managed to finish sixth.

Parrish has described his offensive philosophy as "pass, pass, pass and then punt."

Five defensive starters return. They include senior ends Kevin Humphrey (6-3, 240), who had 81 tackles, 19 for losses, a year ago, and Jeff Hurd (6-2, 245); junior linebackers Tim MacDonald (6-3, 235) and Dwayne Castille (6-0, 225); and junior cornerback Brad Lambert, who made 81 tackles and deflected eight passes.

"We must be aggressive on defense," says Parrish. He should be able to count on players like Humphrey, Hurd and Lambert to set good examples.

The Wildcats have depth at defensive end and linebacker with two-year lettermen Grady Newton (6-1, 225, sr.) and Matt Wallerstedt (5-10, 215, jr.) as backups, but the interior has been restructured to compensate for the departures of Les Miller, Curtis Hughes and George Fowler.

Roderick Stansell (6-2, 250), a redshirt freshman tackle, may get a starting assignment since lettermen Troy Adams and Brad Fulner quit in the spring.

The secondary will be three-fourths new. Sophomores Andy Schrag, a free safety, and Craig Christlieb, a cornerback, are the only lettermen besides Lambert.

Parrish has described his offensive philosophy as "pass, pass, pass and then punt," which means senior punter Troy Faunce should play an important role. He ranked second in the Big Eight and 23rd in the nation a year ago, averaging 42.3 yards.

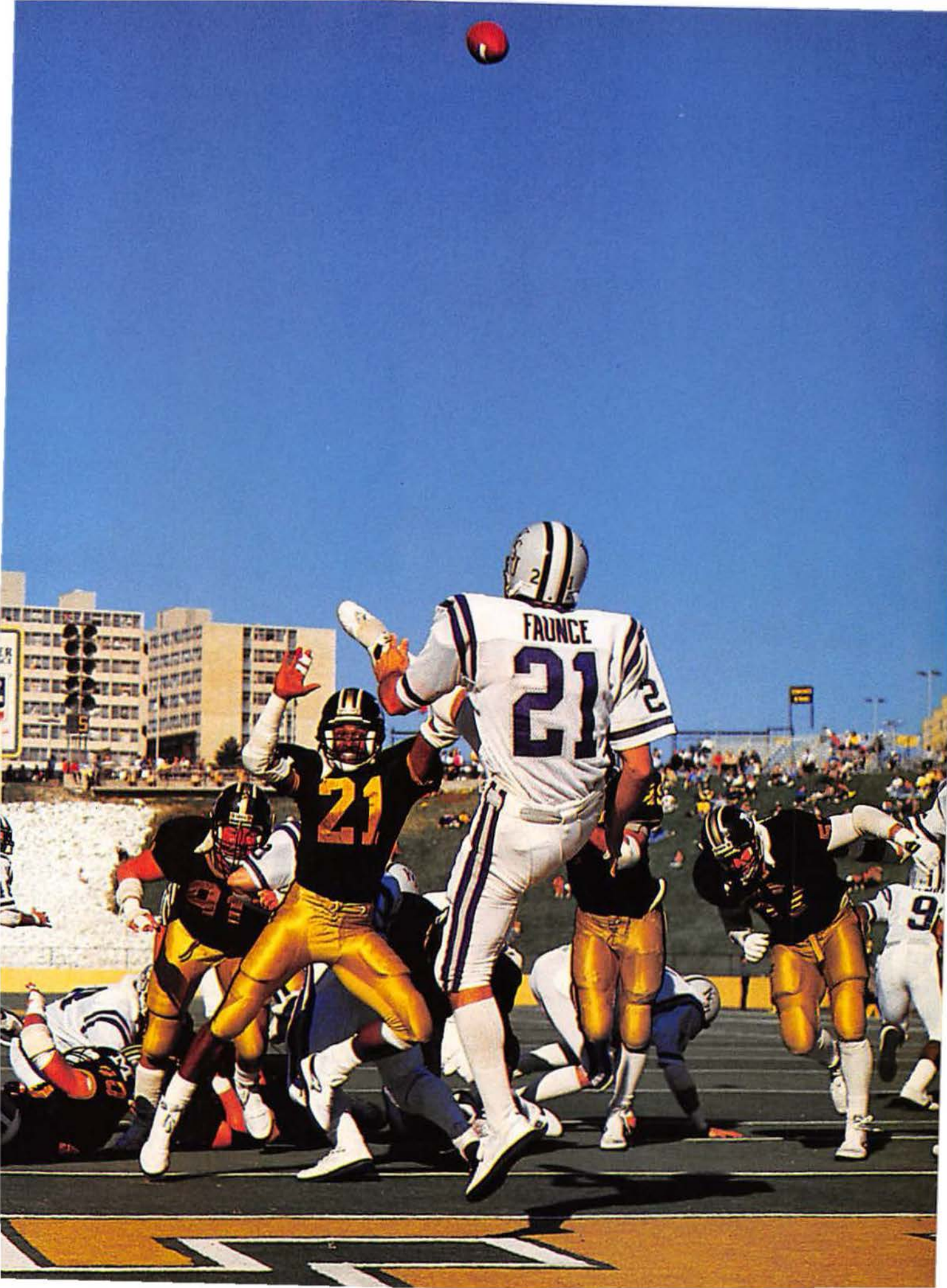
Sophomore Mark Porter, the team's leading scorer in 1985 with 27 points, returns to handle the placekicking. He was successful on seven of eight field-goal attempts.

Parrish is eager for his first season at Kansas State to begin.

"Kansas State has a lot of things to sell: academics, facilities, et cetera," he says. To hear him tell it, et cetera includes a winning football program in the not too distant future.

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Troy Faunce, second-ranking Big Eight punter last year, will give the Wildcats a lift. →



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BIG EIGHT RECRUITING

by Mike Babcock

Arthur Guess stands 5-11, weighs 175 pounds and runs 40 yards in 4.35 seconds—sprinter's speed. The wide receiver at Marshall High School in Oklahoma City caught 49 passes for 649 yards and six touchdowns.

But such numbers were of secondary importance to Scott Hill, recruiting coordinator for Oklahoma's national champions. He was more interested in the way Guess performed in the classroom.

"If you have a good player, you look at his grades first," Hill says.

Guess measured up. He had an excellent grade-point average of 3.7. He was a sure enough blue chip.

"Excellent grade-point average"—the phrase is a sign of the times.

"Grades take precedence," Hill says. "In the past, they weren't always the first consideration, but they are now."

That's because of Proposal 48, NCAA legislation requiring that incoming college freshmen at Division I-A and I-AA schools meet certain academic standards to be eligible in their first year.

Proposal 48 has dramatically changed the nature of recruiting. "It's not just a matter of finding someone who can play and who's going to graduate from high school with a 2.0 average," says Nebraska Coach Tom Osborne. "There are so many variables. You have to examine each transcript."

Freshmen who don't meet the requirements can still be given scholarships, but they can't play or practice and they lose a season of eligibility.

The same rules apply to players who walk on except that they still have four years to play once they pass 24 credit hours with at least a 2.0 GPA.

Because of Proposal 48, "there's a new term—'on the shelf,'" Hill says. Committing scholarships to players who won't be eligible until their sophomore year "isn't as much of a problem for Nebraska because of its walk-on program. But if we have to put four or five players on the shelf each year, we'll start to run short of people for practice."

Oklahoma gave scholarships to all its recruits. One or two may have to be shelved their first year.

Nebraska gave six recruits, whose eligibility was in question, the option of accepting a scholarship in mid-February or waiting until their status was clarified. That way, if their grades do not permit them to compete this fall, they could still walk on with the promise of a scholarship next year and save a season of eligibility.

Robert Hicks, a 5-11, 165-pound defensive back from Los Angeles Fremont High School, waited three weeks before he signed with the Cornhuskers after learning that his standardized test scores exceeded the NCAA's new minimums. (700 out of a possible 1,600 on the SAT, 15 of 36 on the ACT).

In many cases, the SAT or ACT scores prevented schools from knowing if a player would be immediately eligible. The most notable example of that involved Tony VanZant (6-2, 190), All-America running back at Hazelwood Central High of Florissant, Mo., in north St. Louis County, who was *Parade's* high school Player of the Year.

VanZant, who rushed for 6,138 yards and scored 91 touchdowns during his prep career, was Missouri's No. 1 recruit.

Because of a learning disability, VanZant's

academic status was questionable. His grade-point average was high enough and he met the core curriculum requirements. But there was uncertainty regarding his ability to score high enough on the ACT exam to be eligible as a freshman. Missouri had to wait on VanZant's ACT results.

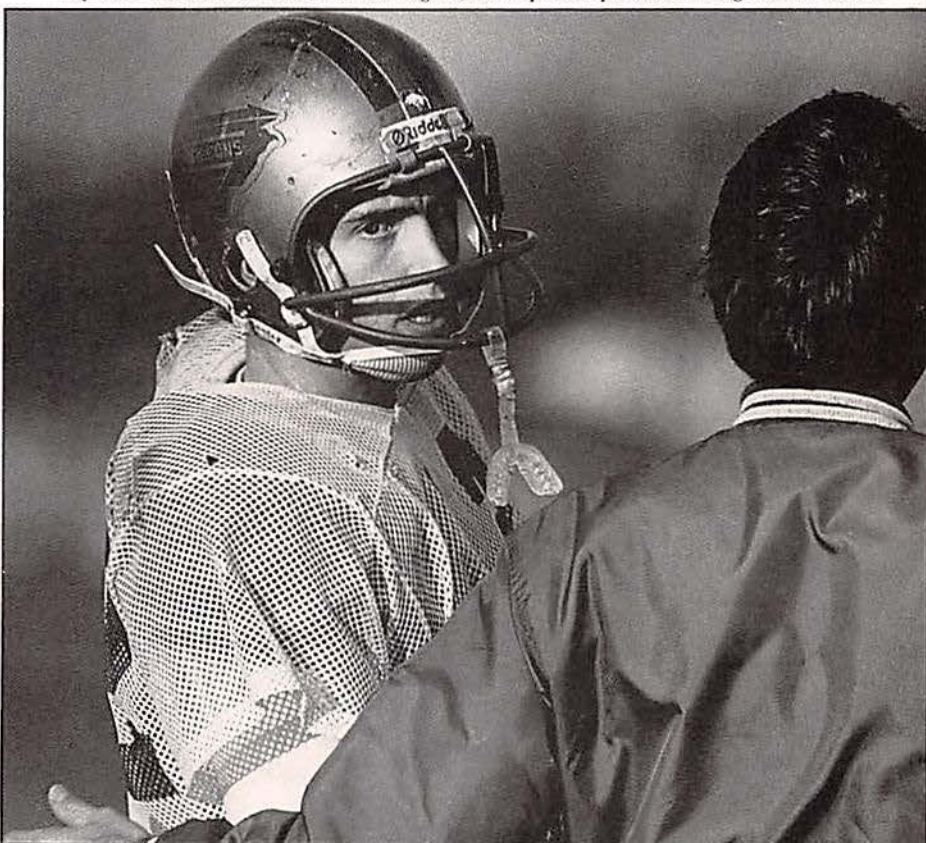
The standardized tests could be retaken at specified times during the school year, but the results wouldn't be known, in some instances, until late summer.

Despite having an excellent grade-point average, Guess scored only 12 on the ACT exam the first time he took it the morning after a football game. The second time he scored 22, well above the NCAA minimum of 15.

Osborne says that standardized test scores can vary enough that "I think there are a lot of

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Defensive back Brad Hinkle, a Kansas signee, intercepted 21 passes in his high school career.





← *Sooner or later, Bosworth makes something happen—when he's not bending an ear.*

(Bosworth continued)

talked to him in my office and asked him how it was going, and he said, 'I'm not giving interviews this week.' And now look at this."

With that, Switzer walked away, still shaking his head. And still smiling. Bosworth smiled, too. With relief. But he didn't provide much bulletin board material. He would play against Texas, flu or no flu, he said. He wasn't bothered by letters he had received from Texas fans; he was bothered by the 15-15 tie against Texas in 1984. "It seemed," he said, "like we were playing 18 Texas people and seven of them were wearing zebra shirts."

The informal Bosworth press conference was, for the first time in his career, uneventful.

That is, until he stepped outside with a Dallas television crew. He smiled into the camera and said, "I'd kill to beat Texas."

After watching his performance against the Longhorns the following Saturday, some observers concluded that Bosworth hadn't been kidding. He recorded a game-high 14 tackles—three for losses—and an interception as Oklahoma limited Texas to a meager 70 total yards and four first downs. All this without All-America nose guard Tony Casillas, who was injured on the game's first series.

Switzer called the 14-7 victory "the greatest defensive performance by an Oklahoma team since I've been here."

Brian "Bulletin Board" Bosworth was rendered speechless—well, almost—early last December when he learned he had won the first Butkus Award to college football's finest linebacker. "Dick Butkus exemplifies the linebacker," said Bosworth.

Bosworth wasn't alone in being surprised. He was considered a long shot since the other finalists were three seniors (Iowa's Larry Station, Michigan's Mike Mallory and Florida's Alonzo Johnson) and one junior (LSU's Michael Brooks). Bosworth, a third-year sophomore, was the youngest in the group.

It was a dream season for Bosworth. Oklahoma won its sixth national football championship by beating top-ranked Penn State in the Orange Bowl to finish an 11-1 season. Bosworth became the first sophomore in Oklahoma's history to become a consensus All-American. He had a 3.22 grade-point average as a junior (academically) in business management. He also was named Academic All-Big Eight. He would have been Academic All-America if the required paperwork had been submitted in time.

Bosworth has been Oklahoma's leading tackler each year he has played, with 128 as a freshman and 131 as a sophomore. At his current pace of 11.8 tackles per game, he would finish with 519 tackles, 13 more than the school career record held by another linebacker, Daryl Hunt.

"Until I came to Oklahoma, I had never



Sacks like this grabbed All-America voters and made Boz a consensus choice in 1985.

been a part of a championship team," Bosworth says. "In junior high we were always mediocre. In high school (MacArthur in Irving, Texas) we came close my junior year, when we were 6-3-1, but in my senior year we were 2-8 and in my sophomore year we were 3-6. I don't like losing very much. That's why I came here."

In Bosworth's two years on the Oklahoma varsity, the Sooners have forged a 20-3-1 record.

It hasn't always been that easy for Boz. Switzer admits he was good enough in 1983 to start, but the Sooners had two senior linebackers, Jackie Shipp and Thomas Benson. Shipp was a first-round NFL draft choice and Benson was picked in the second round.

"That year of redshirting was very difficult," Bosworth says. "I was going stir-crazy. Toward the end of the season, I couldn't sit in the stands anymore. I knew I could play just as well or better than the guys I was watching. It hurt to sit out, but I knew that it was for my own good. I needed to grow up a little."

Bosworth is sometimes soft-spoken, sometimes outspoken; sometimes mild, sometimes wild; sometimes playful, sometimes destructive. He is the paradoxical leader of Oklahoma's Young Lionbackers.

"A linebacker has to make things happen, and to do that you have to play wild-eyed," Bosworth says. "You've got to physically beat the hell out of the guy in front of you. That's the only way to play and be successful."

It helps when you stand 6-2½, weigh 234, run 40 yards in 4.59 seconds and bench-press over 400 pounds.

Bosworth isn't a dumb jock. His grade-point has never dipped below 3.2, a B average on the 4-point scale. He knows his grades had better not slip. His parents—Katherine and Foster Bosworth—are watching.

"They scare me to death sometimes," Bosworth says. "I'll call them, and the first thing they'll ask is 'How are your grades? How

are you doing in school?' I tell them A, B, A, then I get to C and they'll say, 'You get that C up.' It's not like they're asking me to do it. They're telling me. And I think that's good.

"My goal in academics is not to have any C's. I've never had a final grade of C in my life."

There never was much doubt where Bosworth would go to college. Both parents attended Oklahoma. Though he was raised in Irving, a Dallas suburb, Bosworth was born in Oklahoma City.

The Boz. It isn't a movie. It's a haircut. Sort of Close-cropped on the sides, a millimeter longer on top, an inch-wide "tail" down the back.

Boz, the football player, became the hero of thousands of young, impressionable football players in Oklahoma. The haircut became a money-maker for thousands of happy hair stylists in the Sooner state.

It all started nine days before Oklahoma played Texas last year when Bosworth visited Camille Benso, owner of Camille and Co., a hair salon in Norman.

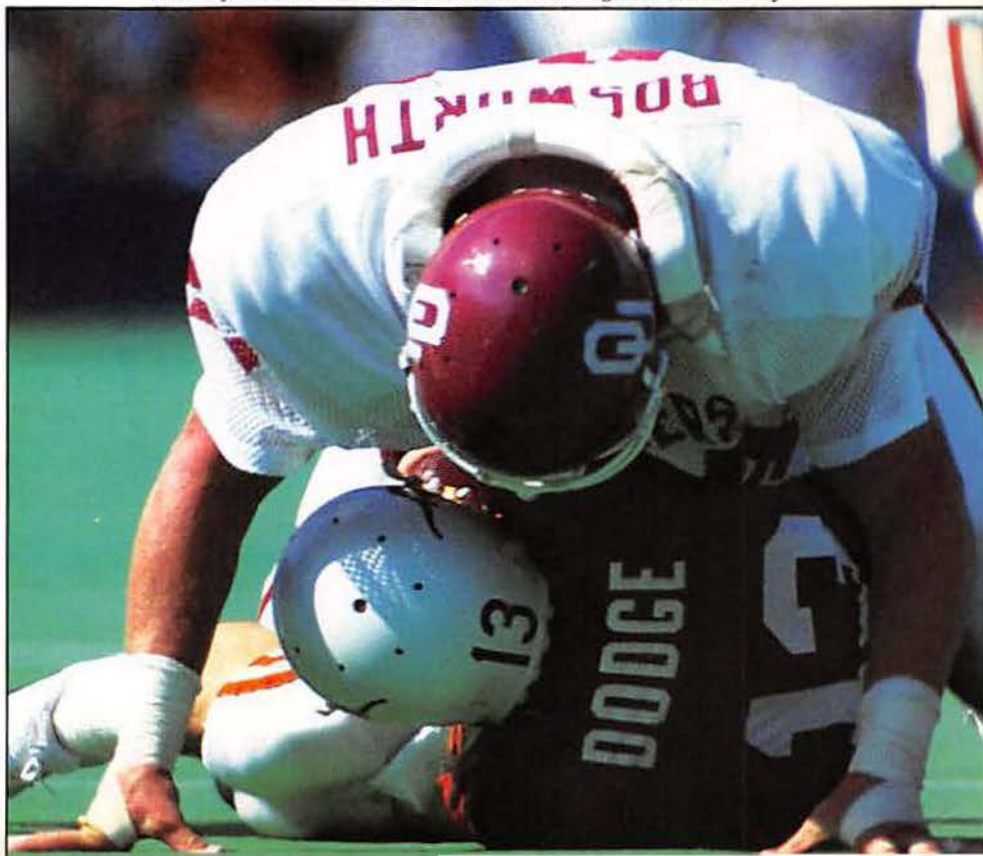
Bosworth and Benso had decided a new-look haircut was in order. His hairdo had been nondescript, medium to long in length, and it always seemed that he had lost his comb.

Then it happened. *The Commando* with Arnold Schwarzenegger became one of Bosworth's favorite movies, and the issue was decided: He wanted his hair cut something like muscleman Arnold's.

The Boz, the haircut, became the rage in Oklahoma. The football player already was—long ago.

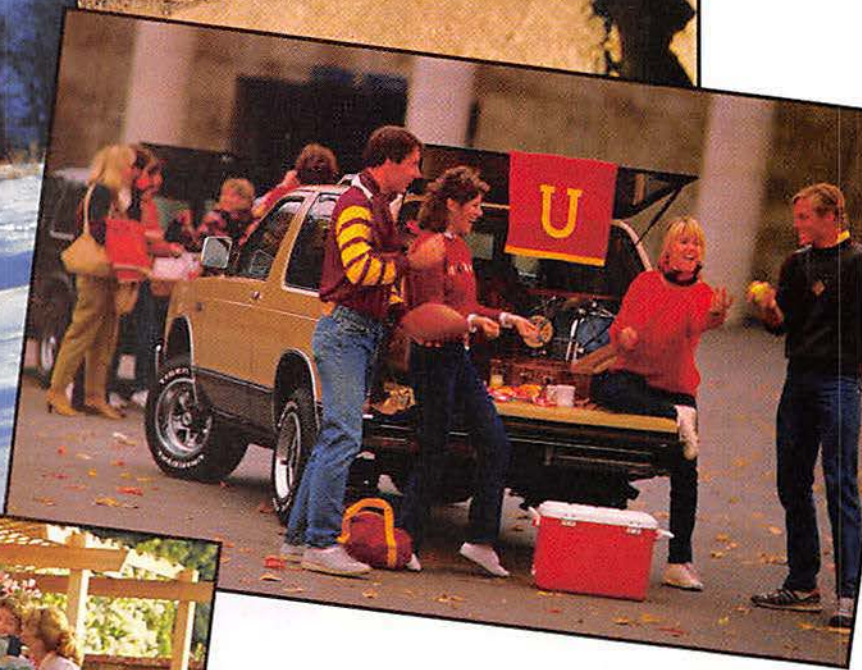
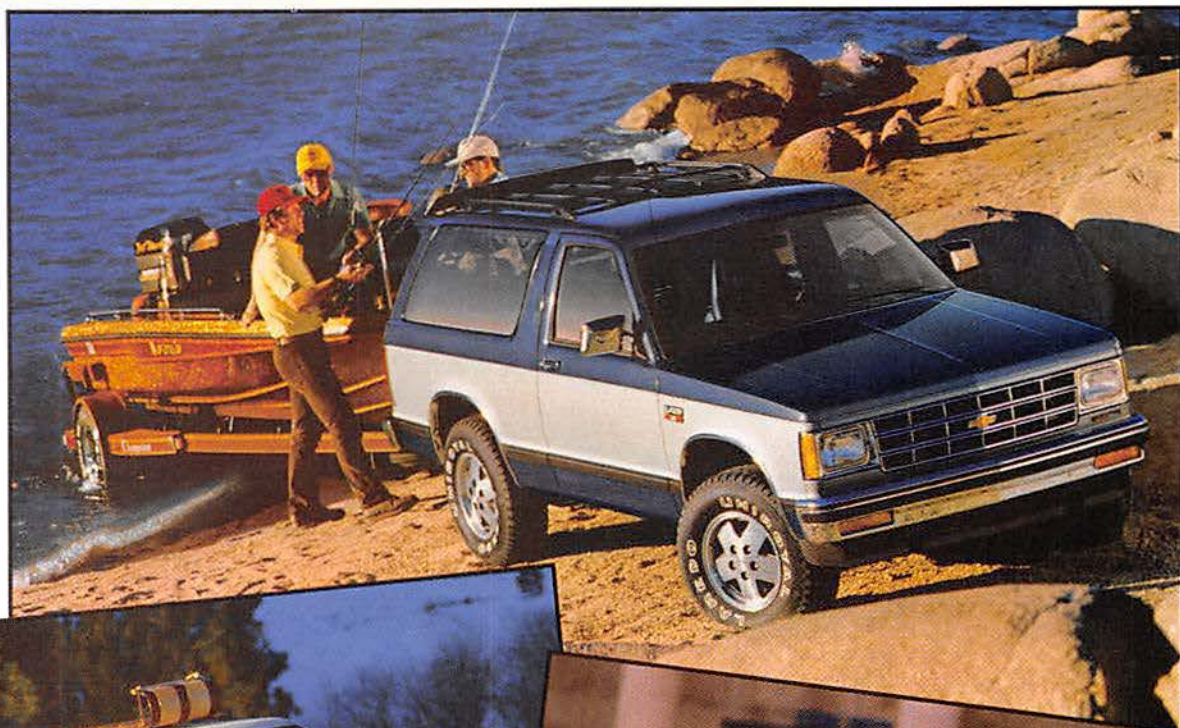
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by Jerry McCain
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Fred Russell and Marvin West, whose stories appear in this insert, wrote for the first magazine we published in 1967. Russell, vice president and sports editor emeritus of the *Nashville Banner*, has won numerous awards in 57 years with the

newspaper. West, former sports editor of the *Knoxville News-Sentinel*, is Scripps Howard sports editor in Washington, D.C.

Peter Finney (New Orleans *The Times-Picayune/The States-Item* sports editor) and Alf Van Hoose (*The Birmingham News* sports editor), also with pieces here, are longtime *Athlon* contributors. So are Dick Fenlon (*The Columbus Dispatch* sports columnist) and George Leonard (*Athlon* editor and former *Nashville Banner* sports editor).

Al Browning (*Knoxville News-Sentinel* sports editor) wrote the well-received "President Reagan Still Calls Him 'Sir,'" which we reprint. Anson Mount of the *Playboy* staff and Rick Reilly of *Sports Illustrated*, who was with the *Los Angeles Times* when he wrote about Stanford's oddball band, are also represented.

We like praise. We expect criticism, too. We appreciate your telling us when we please you. Let us have it when we don't. That'll make the next 20 years better, and we'll be proud of those memories, too, in a sport we're proud to chronicle.

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The Kingfish Era of LSU Football

by Peter Finney

It was a curious question, all right, but the advance man for John Ringling North's Barnum and Bailey circus expected the unexpected when summoned to the Baton Rouge office of U.S. Senator Huey P. Long that hot September day in 1934.

"Did you ever dip a tiger?" asked Huey. "Or, how about an elephant?" Then, pacing the floor behind his desk, the senator went on: "You know, we have laws in this state, mister, and the way I interpret them, every one of your animals will have to be dipped when they cross the state line. We can't take a chance of your circus bringing in disease."

In his state of instant apoplexy, the advance man understood immediately Huey Long meant business, that unless the Ringling Brothers extravaganza, camped in Texas at the time, canceled a performance that conflicted with LSU's home football opener against SMU, the senator intended to meet the caravan at the Texas-Louisiana line with king-sized vats.

When Huey learned the circus was slicing into the LSU-SMU advance sale, he dusted off Louisiana's ancient sanitary code, uncovered a little-known animal-dipping law and was now waiting as the excited publicist put through a long-distance call to North. Realizing Huey held all of the cards, North wasn't about to call the Kingfish's bluff. The circus was rescheduled.

This victory over Barnum and Bailey was the start of a hectic season for Huey, whose shenanigans with the LSU football team and band became as well-known as his "Share-the-Wealth" philosophy.

A perennial sophomore when it came to LSU football, Huey sometimes would show up in the dressing room before a game passing out hamburgers. At halftime, he would take over the marching band he eventually built into a 200-piece unit and hightail it down the field in the best Billy Rose tradition. During the games, Huey took his customary seat—on the bench, where

he could hear the coach give advice and offer some of his own.

Always brimming with optimism, the Kingfish was never one to share the pessimistic views of a football coach, especially LSU's dour Russ Cohen. Once in Shreveport, the day of a game against Arkansas, Huey, then Louisiana governor, found Cohen nervously walking the floor of his hotel room.

"What's wrong?" asked Huey.

"It's that Arkansas bunch, governor. They've got me scared to death."

Long beckoned to bodyguard Joe Messina. "Go scout Arkansas," ordered Huey. And Messina obediently took the elevator to the lobby, where the Razorbacks were milling about. A few minutes later, Messina was back in Cohen's room with his report.

"They don't look so tough to me."

"You see, coach," said Huey with a consoling arm around Cohen's shoulder. "You're worrying over nothing."

Cohen, it turned out, had cause to worry. Arkansas won 32-0.

No one was ever able to explain away an LSU defeat. "Arkansas has no reason ever beating us," reasoned Huey, "because we've got more paved roads in this state than they have."

Another reason was material. Huey always figured LSU had the best. And if the best was to be had, Huey could get it. One day in the summer of 1931, Red Heard, LSU's athletic business manager, rushed to the governor's mansion after an excited call from Huey and was confronted with a newspaper clipping detailing the heroics of one Art Foley of New Mexico Military Institute.

"This boy may be the finest football player in the country, and I want him to play for LSU," said Huey. "I'm not leaving anything to chance. I want you to find out where that boy lives and go out and get him and bring him back. And I want you to leave right away."

At the time, LSU was busy installing lights in Tiger Stadium for night football, a major project supervised by Heard. But when Huey said go, Heard went. "That evening," said Red, "I was headed west on a train to Eufaula, Okla."

"He was a high-class boy, and I explained I had come all the way from Baton Rouge to recruit him. He was an avid golfer and welcomed a partner, so we played every day for a week, and then I followed the family to Eufaula and we played some more."

"All the time, I was reporting back to Huey. Although I knew

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Huey Long was rather high-handed when it came to LSU football.

The Mystique of Spirit

by Dick Fenlon

It is a cold January afternoon in 1983, the sun's bleak rays doing little to frighten the winter shadows that darken the room. A stocky man in his mid-30s hunches in his chair. His eyes are moist and the words do not come easily. "You know," he says, "somewhere along the line, I pawned my national championship ring. I wonder if I could get another..."

It was the team of its decade and one of modern football's best. Rex Kern was the quarterback, John Brockington and Jim Otis among the running backs, Dave Foley and Rufus Mayes the offensive tackles, Jack Tatum one of the cornerbacks, Jim Stillwagon the middle guard, Jan White and Bruce Jankowski the wide receivers, Woody Hayes the head coach, Lou Holtz and Earle Bruce among the assistants.

The Ohio State Buckeyes of 1968 mowed down everybody, whipped O.J. Simpson and Southern California in the Rose Bowl, topped the polls. And when the gang got together for their 10-year reunion in 1978, 65 lettermen strong, it was almost as if that golden era in which they lost just two games in three seasons had never ended. At the reunion, you could go three deep at most positions without discovering a missing person. But you could not go one deep at tailback.

Because Leo Hayden wasn't there. He was the starter, a sophomore who took a back seat to none of the big names, a player of such splendid talent that the Minnesota Vikings picked him in the first round of the 1971 National Football League draft.

What happened after that is not the kind of news that gets into the class notes of the alumni magazine. For Hayden got hooked on drugs. He developed a \$3,000-a-week habit, drifted from the Vikings to the St. Louis Cardinals to the World Football League and, finally, on a felony conviction for writing bad checks, did time in the Kentucky State Reformatory.

And on Jan. 2, 1983—14 years, 2,500 miles and a thousand heartaches removed from the Rose Bowl game in which he outgained O.J., caught a touchdown pass from Rex Kern and led Ohio State to a climactic 27-16 victory—as Leo Hayden told a reporter of his intention to reconstruct his shattered life, he talked also of the bond that still links him to the team and teammates of long ago.

"I'm proud of those years," he said. "I think they were the best years of my life. I think about Woody and all the guys I played with. And I wonder what they're doing now. I don't know if they know what's happened to me."

"I know when we had a national championship reunion in 1978 that I missed it. I had some money. But I thought I had better purposes for it. They're supposed to have another one this year."

Hayden looked up and into the eyes of the man sitting across from him. "I'll be there," he said, "if it kills me."

It is hard to put a finger on the bond that college football builds, the link that is joined on a practice field or in a stadium;

that withstands years and distances, success and failure, good fortune and bad; that endures and renews; that is one of the game's deepest mysteries and truest blessings.

But it is there.

Laughter built it. And pain. Sweat and blood and sacrifice. Hope that turned slowly into respect and then into a deep and abiding trust. It was nurtured by victory. It was tested by defeat. It conquers time and space. It lives.

Not only in Columbus, Ohio. But in South Bend, Ind., and Tuscaloosa, Ala. In Lincoln, Neb. In Los Angeles. When they gather someday in Athens, Ga. Wherever football has left its mark.

"I attended two reunions last year," says Dan Devine, now retired from coaching. "The first one was our national championship 1977 Notre Dame team. It was just our fifth-year reunion, and that's not very long. It was unbelievable the number of players who came back. A fantastic percentage, over 90 percent, from the West Coast to the East Coast, all paying their own expenses. Later in the year, my undefeated 1957 Arizona State team had its 25th reunion, and they came not only from all over this country but a few from all over the world."

Why? Success is a part of it, surely. Nothing strengthens the bond more than great things achieved. And in football, nothing is achieved that is not achieved together.

"Football is the ultimate in team sports," explains Vince Dooley, whose undefeated 1980 Georgia team nailed down a national championship by beating Devine and Notre Dame in the 1981 Sugar Bowl game. "There is no other sport in which so many people—players and coaches—must come together and function as a team if it is to succeed. I don't quite know how you develop the togetherness. Sometimes you have natural leaders and sometimes you don't. Herschel Walker is the natural example. As a freshman, he recognized the importance of the team concept, and he fit very well into it."

"In the last three years, we've had great unity on our teams, or we wouldn't have been able to do as well as we have. That's not to minimize the importance of having some great players. But nobody is gifted with great players at all the positions. You're bound to have average or just-above-average players at some positions. The important thing is that they function at a maximum. The only way they can do that is within the team concept. The puzzle has got to fit."

"Togetherness is a very important ingredient, even on a pro team where money is a big factor," says Bob Devaney, who coached Nebraska to back-to-back national championships in 1970 and 1971 and now is the Cornhuskers' athletic director. "A team that has a lot of unity is more apt to play fewer poor games and to play up to its capacity."

Team spirit, a single will, led the list of reasons for those achievements, just as it did for other teams in other years at other places. But team spirit eludes scholarly inquiry. When does it start, and why? How is it sustained? Why is it sometimes never attained? And why, once attained, can it dissipate as a puff of smoke in the wind? These are natural questions to ask, but difficult to answer.

"You will get an argument from coaches on what comes first, the spirit and then the winning, or the winning and then the spirit," says Devine. "Probably some of both. I know this: I felt



Woody Hayes sensed esprit de corps developing.

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The Football Follies Starring Stanford's Band

by Rick Reilly

Here's this year's scouting report on Stanford: quick on the front lines, offensive-minded and, as always, fearless tacklers.

Football?

Nah, that's just the band.

Of course, some folks in Palo Alto say that the Leland

Stanford Junior University Not-Exactly Marching Band is Saturday afternoon. Football is just what some of the boys do while the band catches its breath. Indeed, at Stanford, people rush to get a hot dog before halftime begins.

The Stanford Not-Exactly Marching Band is, without fear of contradiction, the crudest, rowdiest, most controversial gaggle of musicians since the Fab Four (and, not coincidentally, the most fun). Actually, they're the Fab Hundred and Forty-Four, making them a gross, which they often are.

Just ask the national TV networks. Stanford bands have flashed more "moons" than Jupiter. So many that cameramen covering a Stanford game have an 11th commandment: Shoot the band and be shot.

This band is, uh, different. How many marching bands do you know that break rank during a parade and mingle with the crowd? How many bands get hate mail? How many bands last year were under police surveillance (and rightfully so)? How many bands have marched at their school's water polo game—in the pool?

And how many bands do you know with a lifetime NCAA win-loss record in football: 0-1?

That happened two seasons past, when Stanford played California in the Biggest of Big Games. On a John Elway-fueled comeback (his last collegiate game), Stanford had kicked a field goal with four seconds left for what seemed to be a certain win, 20-19—so certain that the band broke into a stanza of *All Right Now*.

Understand that Stanford still had to kick off to Cal, and when they did, the Bears proceeded to treat the football as though it were a pop quiz. Four of them lateraled it five times, until, finally, Kevin Moen found himself running toward the

Stanford end zone with no Stanford football players near him. Football players, no.

Trombone players, yes.

The Stanford band, thinking the ball had been downed near the 50-yard line, came pouring onto the field, with Moen trying to weave his way through. Moen had made it safely through the xylophone section and had tiptoed through the drums when he was blindsided by fierce-hitting and hard-blowing trombonist Gary Tyrrell in the end zone. (At least that's the way the Stanford band tells it.)

Anyway, Moen had scored and Cal had a 25-20 win and Tyrrell became the biggest name in bands since Glenn Miller and the world had some of the funniest film footage since *ABSCAM*.

But imagine this: Some people didn't think *The Big Play* was too funny. Some people don't cotton to loony college kids messing with their Saturday afternoon worship services. Some people blamed the band for the loss (one that kept Stanford out of a bowl game). To Stanford Cardinal fans, this was *The Cardinal Sin*.

Which may go to show you that some people can't take a joke anymore. Too bad, since the whole point of the Stanford band since Keg One has been to laugh at yourself and each other. That's the way it's been since 1963, when the band members commandeered control of the band and made it an entirely student-run affair.

Since that year, the band has been a double-fudge banana split in a world of vanilla cones. Other bands march. Stanford dances. Other bands play Rodgers and Hammerstein. Stanford plays Hall and Oates. Other bands form maps of states. Stanford forms giant noses. Other bands wear uniforms. Stanford wears, well, sometimes nothing. Other bands are

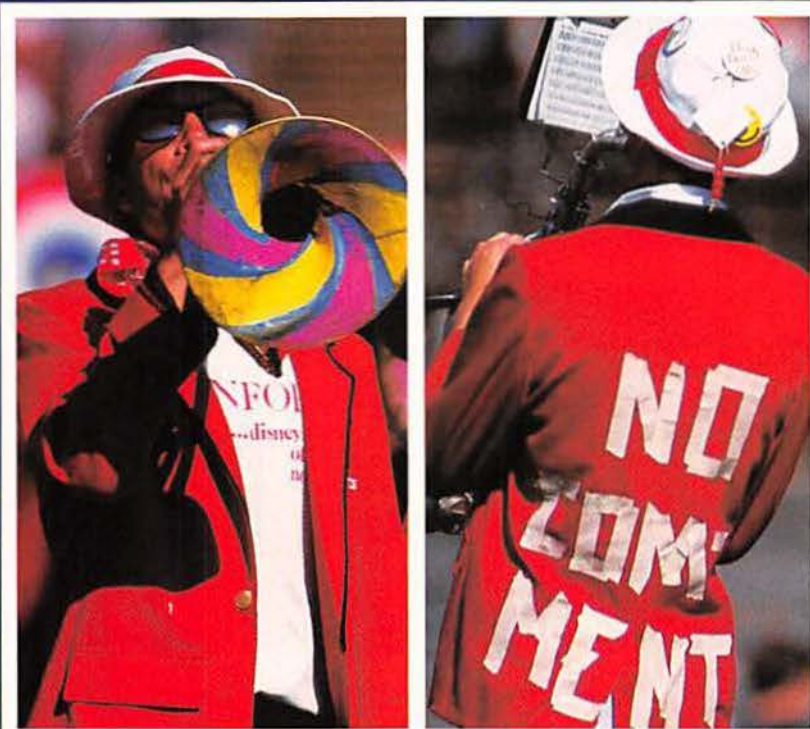
boring. Stanford is everything but.

Current, yes... when Patty Hearst was missing in the late '70s, the band formed a "Patty Hearstburger."

Irreverent, yes... during Secretary's Week (what, your band didn't celebrate Secretary's Week?), the band chose to do a halftime honoring every secretary's best friend: Xerox. The band played the Xerox theme jingle. Then again. And again. And again. And again. Get it?

Resilient, yes... once, when a few members were suspended for violating, well, just about everything, the band showed up at that Saturday's halftime show with four—count 'em—four members. "And now," the band announcer said, "the band will form the Western Hemisphere," which the band did. Pretty good, too. Some people said you could actually make out Costa Rica.

Cocky, yes... during a basketball game in which the much-hated Southern California Trojans were winning handily, a band member held up a sign which read: "Have fun. You'll be working for us someday."



Colorful and irreverent: Stanford's band entertains as it plays.

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'Football Was Like Art'—Zuppke

by Fred Russell

The sprightliest character and most unusual person I've known in coaching was Robert Carl Zuppke. This nimble-minded little Dutchman, who never played college football, directed University of Illinois teams for 29 years (1913 through 1941).

Zuppke's career was so startling and colorful, it would not be accepted now even as fiction. Born in Berlin in 1879, he was brought to this country as a youngster and lived in Newark. His father was a jewelry designer for Tiffany's in New York City, later moving to Milwaukee.

Zup first attended Milwaukee State Normal, where he was a star debater and basketball player, then entered the University of Wisconsin and made good as a runner, water polo player and—despite his lack of heft—something of a hammer thrower.

After graduation in 1905, Zuppke went to New York with the hope of becoming an artist. Short on funds, the only painting he did was as a member of a crew working on a huge sign on Broadway to advertise a cigar.

Returning to the Middle West, this time to Chicago, he found the pickings just as slim. In some fashion never made quite clear, Zuppke became a history teacher and football coach at a high school in Muskegon, Mich. His next stop was as coach at Oak Park, in Illinois, where he developed high school teams that mowed down the opposition.

Hired by Illinois in 1913, Zup's 1916 team scored an astounding 14-9 upset over Minnesota—described as "the perfect team of history." This was the first of many stunners for this innovative genius, who stood out in the days when Knute Rockne, Fielding Yost, Dr. Harry Williams, Pop Warner, Dan McGugin, John Heisman, Howard Jones and others were developing champions.

Back then, the relationship between Zuppke and his players was something special. They were like a bunch of boys, calling him "Zup," never "Coach," and always kidding each other.

Everywhere, Zuppke left a trail of wit and wisecracks. He was an individualist, full of philosophical utterances. Such as:

"There is art in football. No man can be a good athlete unless he has music in his soul. Without rhythm there is no art, no spontaneity, no system. A good team is art. It is graceful as a group of dancers, but also strong, powerful."

Of the fabulous Red Grange, his Illinois star of the mid-1920s, premier college running back, Zuppke said: "A long run by Grange was just as artistic as a dance by Pavlova. There may even have been more rhythm in Grange's running—no one ever tried to knock down Pavlova."

Besides football, Zuppke was also interested in art, literature

and science. He was a better-than-average painter in oils.

Few coaches ever matched Zuppke's imaginative creations, his flair for invention of plays. He gave them intriguing names: flea flicker, blue eagle, the sidewinder, razzle-dazzle and flying trapeze.

Zup contributed to football the spiral snap from center, the screen pass and guards pulling out to protect the passer. He compiled a 131-81-12 record and won or shared seven Big Ten championships.

However, this sparkling commander of situations, who died in 1957 at 78, will be remembered best for his whimsy, his bouncy axioms, maxims and aphorisms.

Perhaps the best-remembered Zuppkeism is: "A first-rate line upfront and a poet in the press box often can make an All-America back out of a third-class player."

My other favorites are:

- The Lord is generally on the side of the team with the biggest tackles.
- Football is a brutal game but brutes can't play it.
- Be prejudiced only in favor of motion, quickness and courage.
- Don't let your imagination whip your courage.
- Moral and physical courage are closely associated; if your nerves fail you, your body fails you. It is a mistake to discriminate too much between brains and muscles; the football player must have greater mental efficiency than the debater.
- The difference between champions and near-champions is the ability to play for something outside of self—in this case, teamwork.
- Always assume that the rival coach knows at least as much as you do.
- The team that controls the first yard beyond the line of scrimmage, all other things being equal, should win.
- A good loser is a piece of camouflage. The man who hasn't an alibi is hopeless.



Bob Zuppke and his greatest player: Red Grange.

- Don't overexaggerate the ability of your opponents, or your players will think they are up against superhumans.
- Men always do their best when they know they are being observed.
- A player good on offense but weak on defense will lose more ground than he can gain.
- If you neglect details, you'll have the job of convincing the world that you're a hard-luck coach.
- Every first scrimmage looks bad.
- Don't repeat plays that are not working.
- The best forward pass is the one thrown by the best thrower to the highest jumper, who has the rhythm to time his jump and can hang onto the ball.
- Follow the ball all the time—even civilization does that.
- Never let hope elude you; that's life's biggest fumble.

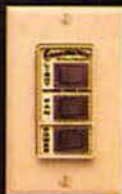
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Two Decades Of Excellence: The Top Players

The college game has reached a high echelon of excellence in the 20 years *Athlon* has published football annuals. It can hardly be refuted that an all-star selection for this two-decade period, 1967-86, would include several players worthy of consideration for an all-time team dating back to the Year One, which for football was 1869.

Take the running backs: O.J. Simpson, Herschel Walker and Tony Dorsett. And Dave Rimington at center, John Hannah in the offensive line, Kenny Easley in the defensive backfield. They came close to being nonpareils.

Who to coach them? Who else but Bear Bryant of Alabama?

Athlon salutes the members of its 20-year All-America team.

OFFENSE

DOUG FLUTIE, QB, Boston College, 1981-84

This 1984 Heisman Trophy winner holds NCAA records for passing yardage (10,579) and total offense (11,317). His exciting style of play was almost single-handedly responsible for putting Boston College back among the nation's elite teams. He threw for 67 career touchdowns. One earned a niche in football history—the "Hail Flutie" 48-yard touchdown (it traveled 64 yards in the air) pass to Gerard Phelan on the final play that beat Miami 47-45 in 1984. Flutie is playing in the USFL.

HERSCHEL WALKER, RB, Georgia, 1980-82

He was a three-time All-American who starred in his first collegiate game and never stopped. The three-time Southeastern Conference Player of the Year led Georgia to the national championship in his freshman season. He won the Heisman Trophy in 1982 as a junior—his last season as a collegian—after compiling an SEC-high 5,259 career yards. He has played three years in the USFL.

TONY DORSETT, RB, Pittsburgh, 1973-76

The all-time Division I-A career rushing leader with 6,082 yards, he scored a record-tying 59 touchdowns and was the No. 2 point scorer with 356 points. Pitt was 0-11 the year before Dorsett arrived, but by the time he left, the Panthers were 12-0 and national champions. He won the 1976 Heisman Trophy and is now the leading rusher in Dallas Cowboy history.

O.J. SIMPSON, RB, Southern California, 1967-68

He combined world-class speed with power and shiftiness to make the mold for modern running backs. In his two seasons at Southern California, after transferring from junior college, the two-time consensus All-American rushed for 3,124 yards and held 19 NCAA, Pacific-8 and USC records at one time. He won the Heisman Trophy in 1968 and five years later set an NFL record for rushing yards in a season (2,003) that stood until 1984. He retired in 1979 and was inducted into the NFL Hall of Fame in 1985.

ANTHONY CARTER, SE, Michigan, 1979-82

The two-time All-American was one of the nation's most dangerous performers. Sure-handed as a receiver and elusive as a runner, Carter set Michigan records in pass receiving and punt returns. His 40 touchdowns, 161 pass receptions and 3,076 receiving yards are all school records. He is currently with the Minnesota Vikings after starring in the USFL.

JOHN HICKS, OT, Ohio State, 1970, 1972-73

The Outland Trophy and Lombardi Award winner was the mainstay in the offensive line of some of Woody Hayes' most successful teams. The Buckeyes were 28-3-1 in that span and won three Big Ten titles.

JOHN HANNAH, OG, Alabama, 1970-72

He ranks as one of the great offensive linemen in Southeastern Conference and Alabama history. For the last 13 years, as a member of the New England Patriots, he has been considered one of the finest linemen ever to play in the NFL.

DAVE RIMINGTON, C, Nebraska, 1979-82

This 288-pounder was the only two-time Outland Trophy winner (1981-82). He also won the 1982 Lombardi Award and made Academic All-America twice. Currently, he's a starter for the Cincinnati Bengals.

CHIP KELL, OG, Tennessee, 1968-70

A two-time All-America, he was a team leader at Tennessee. The Vols went 28-5-1 in his time and won a Southeastern Conference title and a Sugar Bowl game.

BILL FRALIC, OT, Pittsburgh, 1981-84

He started every game for four years as a collegian and was the No. 2 player selected in 1985 NFL draft (Atlanta Falcons). The Panther great was responsible for a new term in football: pancake, meaning the art of flattening an opponent with a block.

KEN MACAFEE, TE, Notre Dame, 1974-77

The leading receiver for the 1977 national champions was the prototype of current tight ends: big (6-4, 250), strong and adept at both pass catching and blocking. His 128 career receptions rank him No. 3 in Notre Dame history, No. 1 for tight ends.

KEVIN BUTLER, K, Georgia, 1981-84

He was the SEC's most prolific scorer with 353 career points. He also holds the NCAA record of 27 games with two or more field goals and the SEC record for field goals with 77. As a rookie with the world champion Chicago Bears, he led the NFL in scoring with 144 points.

DEFENSE

HUGH GREEN, DL, Pittsburgh, 1977-80

The three-time consensus All-American won the Lombardi Award in 1980. He led one of the nation's top defenses and helped the Panthers post a 39-8-1 record during his four years. He now plays for the Miami Dolphins.

RANDY WHITE, DL, Maryland, 1972-74

In 1974, he was honored with the Outland Trophy and Lombardi Award. He was a consensus All-American and Atlantic Coast Conference Player of the Year. He set a school record that season with 24 tackles behind the line. For a number of years, he has been an All-Pro performer for the Dallas Cowboys.

TONY CASILLAS, DL, Oklahoma, 1982-85

A nose guard with astounding strength, he received the Lombardi Award as the Sooners won the national title in 1985. He holds the school record with 21 tackles for losses. During his last two seasons, Oklahoma was No. 1 in total defense (1985) and No. 1 in rushing defense (1984).

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Herschel Walker: the peach from Georgia.

The Fickle (and Incomparable) Bryant

by Alf Van Hoose

Some sharp football historian about the Year 2000, analyzing the truly legendary, the really great coaches of the game's first 100 years, may do a double take or two comparing Paul William Bryant with other members of his supersociety.

"That fellow," this domehead can be envisioned muttering, "just never could seem to make up his mind on offense. Amazing how he kept on winning, switching attack styles every three or four years."

"Knute Rockne never taught anything except the Notre Dame box. Glenn Warner kept to his double wing."

"Bob Neyland and Wallace Wade were single wingers all their coaching days. Bud Wilkinson never ran a down from anything except the split-T."

"But this Bryant . . . hm-m-m, let's see: He started at Maryland in 1945 with the 'box.' He took it with him to Kentucky a year later and stuck with it, despite a Wildcat named George Blanda. Blanda primarily had to block, same as all 'box' quarterbacks."

"But when Babe Parilli showed up at Kentucky, fickle Bryant changed overnight to the T-formation. When Parilli finished, Bryant embraced the split-T, just coming into fashion."

"He kept the split-T, moving to Texas A&M. When he finally settled for good at Alabama in 1958, he started with an offense no one ever decided what to label. His best play was the quick kick."

"In 1959, with the arrival of a handsome, rawboned sophomore named Pat Trammell—who seems to have been Bryant's all-time favorite player—Bear went back in business with the split-T."

"But when Trammell left, Bryant remarried the 'dropback-T.' A new Parilli, a better Parilli, was available—Joe Namath."

"Steve Sloan carried on that style after Namath was gone, but Snake Stabler had Bryant dusting off the running-T again, though Stabler proved a more effective college passer than Namath."

"Stabler's departure meant another Bryant offense divorce: back to dropback passing by Scott Hunter, old T tricks jazzed up now with I-formation wrinkles."

"That lasted three years. It was scheduled a fourth. But in the middle of the summer, Bryant threw away his spring training offense."

"When his players reported in late August, grim, vengeful eyes on a Southern Cal that had murdered the Crimson Tide a year before, Bryant surprised them with a simple, revolutionary announcement:

"Gentlemen, we've got three weeks to learn the wishbone. Forget spring training. We've got work to do."

"The Tide beat the Trojans 17-10, took 'em by surprise and storm. Alabama also beat six other teams that finished in the Top 20 in 1971. In three years, wishboning, Alabama won 33 of 37 games."

"Bryant never left the wishbone. He called it the finest offense there ever was."

Forget any imaginary soliloquizing way, way ahead. Focus only on 1974, right now, and hand the microphone to college football's winningest coach (231-70-16). Bryant is discussing an offense he borrowed originally from firm buddy Darrell Royal at Texas, then added his master's technique to it.

"Thirty-three out of 37 tells me something," Bryant puts it. "I never intend to change."

"Of course, formations don't make players; players make formations, but execution of the wishbone will gain you more ground than similar execution doing anything else."

When Alabama went to wishboning, Bryant was conscious of the contention that it emphasized running over passing for always-desired balance. If Bryant ever believed that, he doesn't now. Neither do many original critics.

"You can get all the passing you need from the wishbone," Bryant says. "We really have not scratched the surface in wishbone passing."

Alabama has injected throwing into its scheme probably more effectively than any wishbone team. At least a never-ending procession of coaches into Tuscaloosa in the off-season would hint at that conclusion.

Barry Switzer at Oklahoma contends Alabama is ahead of others in passing. He's scouted Tide coaches personally.

'Bama of 1973 smashed all sorts of SEC marks on offense—Bryant's favorite being scoring 454 points in 11 games. The guts of the Tide's '73 attack platoon return in '74, beginning with quarterbacks Gary Rutledge and Richard Todd.

Split end Wayne Wheeler and offensive tackle Buddy Brown, All-America types, and Wilbur Jackson, runner, are gone, but except for Wheeler, equal-type talent is available to move in.

The wishbone has produced an explosion of gifted ball toters at Alabama. Six of its eight leading gainers of last year return behind four starting linemen.

At spring's end, Rutledge was directing a backfield of junior breakaway runner Willie Shelby and dangerously underrated senior Randy Billingsley at halfbacks—Billingsley averaged 6.7 yards per carry in '73 and is called by Bryant "the best blocking back in the country"—and Calvin Culliver at fullback.

Mark Culliver in the future book for awesome greatness. He's an upcoming sophomore but lettered as a freshman because incredible running skill cannot be denied.

Culliver is slightly bigger than Jackson, faster, more agile and potentially stronger breaking up the middle. All he must do is block better.

If he plays regular for Bryant, he'll block.

Bryant is no different than any of his old peers at his profession's peak—Rockne, Neyland, Wade or Wilkinson. None dispatched 10 men to combat to glorify one player.

One famed appraisal of the wishbone may account for Bryant's regard for it: "a formation requiring 11 blockers."

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President Reagan Still Calls Him 'Sir'

by Al Browning

If you thought Amos Alonzo Stagg was the only man still coaching college football in his nineties, it will be enlightening to discover there is now another.

At the age of 90, Ralph McKinzie coaches the wide receivers at Eureka College in Illinois. His name may not be of the household variety, but President Reagan, who has known him over 50 years, calls him "sir" and respects him as much as any man.

McKinzie was head coach at Eureka, a small Disciples of Christ school located 20 miles east of Peoria, when a freshman from Dixon, Ill., walked onto the practice field one day in the fall of 1928. He was an aspiring guard weighing 175 pounds. His name was Ronald Reagan.

"He gave me a chance, even though I wasn't the hottest football player ever to come down the pike," the president told *Athlon* in an interview this year.

McKinzie will rise on the morning of October 1 knowing he'll receive a Happy Birthday call from the White House. The oldest coach in the country will be 91.

"I haven't worked with any Heisman Trophy winners during my career," McKinzie says, "but there aren't many coaches who can say they had a future president of the United States on their team. As former players go, that's about as famous as you can get."

Reagan was a regular who lettered three years, finishing in 1931. He played one of his best games against George Musso, a 260-pound tackle for Millikin University in Decatur, Ill., who in later life was inducted into the pro Hall of Fame.

The president remembers McKinzie with fondness and genuine esteem.

"He loved what he was doing, and he transmitted his enthusiasm to all who played for him," Reagan said. "He is one of the fairest men I have ever known. I am honored by his friendship and I'll always be grateful for his influence."

"A coach can have more influence on his players than anyone else in their lives. Those young men who go out for football are there because they want to be, not because someone tells them they have to be. The coach has the power to make their dreams come true, and the players are anxious to please him."

"Mac wanted only the best from his team and for his team. He taught us a sense of fairness and responsibility that has always stuck with me. A good coach can teach a player lessons that will influence the rest of his life. McKinzie did just that for all of us who have had the good fortune to be under his direction."

Warner McCollum, current athletic director and head football

coach at Eureka, won't forget Reagan's visit to his alma mater when he was campaigning last year.

"It was obvious who the president wanted to see as soon as he arrived on the campus," McCollum says. "He said, 'Hello, sir, how have you been doing?' Coach Mac countered with, 'You're looking fit, Dutch (Reagan's nickname in college).'"

McKinzie reminisces easily on Reagan's years as a player.

"He was good at his position and very coachable," McKinzie says. "He worked hard to improve. He was dedicated to Eureka, dependable and courageous. He always gave his best effort. He accomplished some things as a player I never thought he would."

"We rehashed some memories when he was here. He never forgets any of the names or the games. I always thought he'd be a crack radio announcer when he left Eureka. He seemed to be headed in that direction. He would put on a show for us in the dressing room after our games, holding a broomstick as if it were a microphone. He'd describe every touchdown and every crucial play. Sometimes, he would just make up games. He was a

whiz at that, making them come alive, painting pictures with his words."

The president, who was a sportscaster before becoming an actor and finally going into politics, told *Athlon*:

"I guess my fondest memories on the football field at Eureka would have to include every time Mac put me in the game. As for those imaginary games I created, well, that was my way of playing the way I wanted to play but never could. Also, football games were to me one of the most colorful, dramatic and exciting events I had ever witnessed. I wanted to share my fascination with everybody."

"I have so many

memories of Mac that I don't think I could pick just one. My fondest impression of him is the depth of his caring for young people and the way he is able to make them reach their highest potential. My respect for Mac as a coach and as a person is unlimited. I still call him 'sir' and I still mean it."

McKinzie stays in touch with his most famous player.

"A few years ago in Washington, he presented me with a trophy at the Washington Touchdown Club," McKinzie says. "We correspond now and then."

McKinzie considers himself "a bit of a novelty who has worn out a lot of whistles in my time."

"But," he says, "I'm not the least bit tired of coaching. I'm figuring on doing it the rest of my life if I can get around as well as I do now. I'm the only coach who has a chair on the practice field. The managers carry it around for me so I can sit a spell when I get too tired."

McCollum becomes provoked when he occasionally hears McKinzie being called an honorary coach.

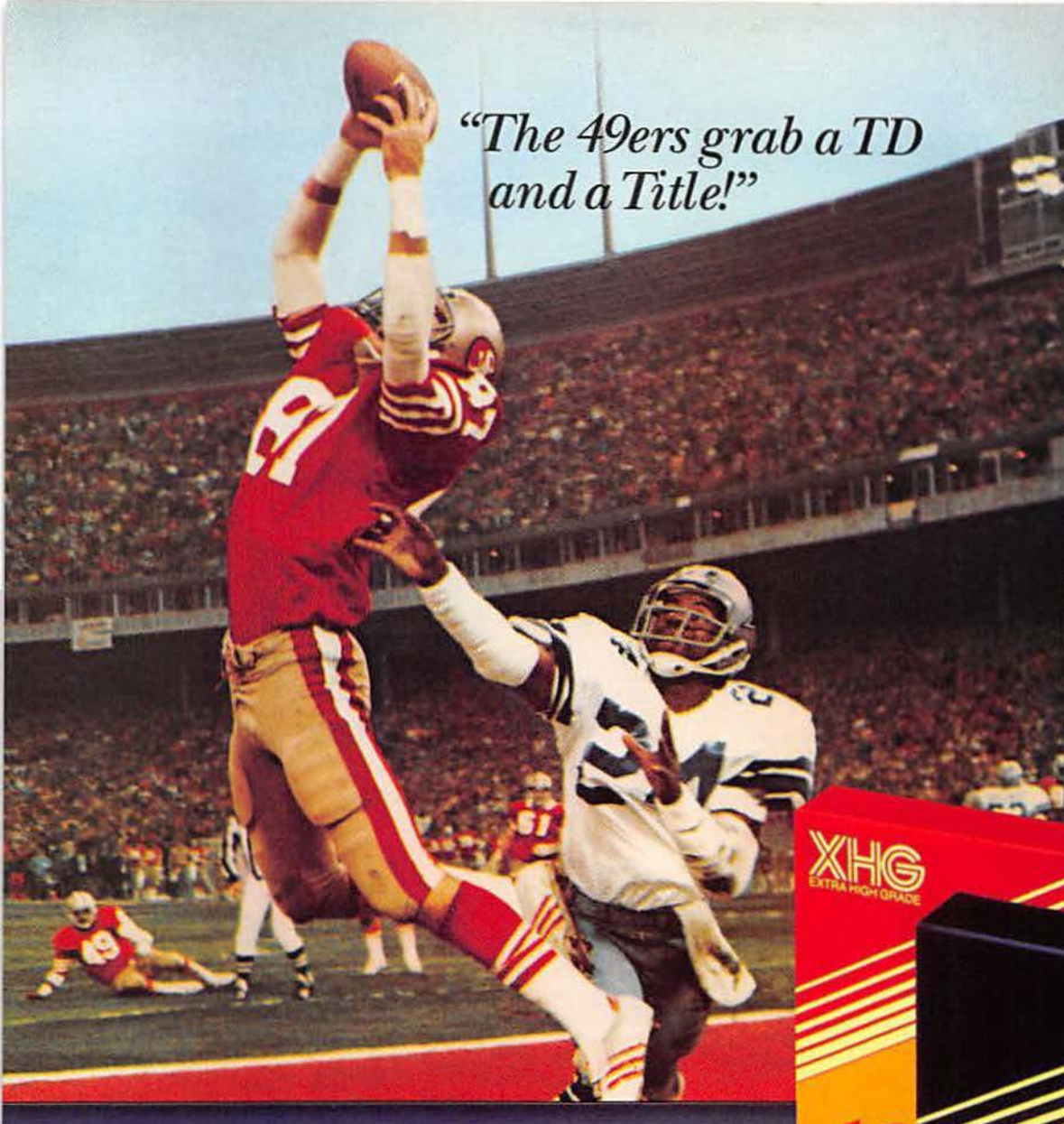
"Sure, we've got a chair for him at practice, but he never uses it," McCollum says. "He's still a ball of fire on the field. He works day and night preparing for practice."

"Anybody who doubts he's still a coach should hear one of his inspirational talks. I remember one in particular he made a couple of years ago before our homecoming. He talked about

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President Reagan lunches with his 91-year-old college coach, Ralph McKinzie.



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An Old Thanksgiving Football Classic

by Marvin West

They just don't make Thanksgiving like they used to, and maybe it's just as well that they don't. The pool rooms and smoke shops couldn't stand many Thanksgivings like the one in '23.

In some ways, Thanksgivings aren't so different. People still go for pumpkin pie, but it comes out of the freezer now. And turkey is still the thing if you can afford 'em already picked, peeled and stuffed. Folks still like football at Thanksgiving, too, but goodness knows it has changed.

J.G. Lowe, Tennessee guard back in the '20s, loves to tell a story about Thanksgiving, 1923. Tennessee and Kentucky used to play on that holiday each year, and my, how the fur would fly.

Even in those days, it didn't matter too much whether either school had a powerful team or not. The game usually ended the season for both clubs. There was no reason to save any trick plays. You had all winter to rest. So everybody went after it right determinedlike.

Well, Tennessee hadn't scared many folks in 1923. Maybe the Vol-unteers shook up Army a little. The Cadets won 41-0 and thought they had killed a couple of hillbillies but they hadn't.

And Vanderbilt put the pads to Tennessee that year. It was 51-0 until the fading minutes when Lowe, a guard and tackle, substituted at end and slipped in for a touchdown pass. That just

happened to be the first six points scored against Vanderbilt at beautiful Dudley Field, then just a year old.

Anyway, Tennessee was taking its lumps. Virginia Military worked over the Vols by 33-0. The record was 4-4-1 for the trip to Lexington.

"This game against Kentucky could have been played yesterday, it's that clear in my mind," says Lowe.

"We were as dismal a band of low-spirited athletes as you could ever have the misfortune of meeting. The large fireplace in the Phoenix Hotel lobby drew us all like a magnet."

Tennessee Coach M.B. Banks sent out a scout to inspect Kentucky's playing field. It was team manager Robert "Brainy" Watson who went to see about the mud.

"When Brainy returned, we were all huddled in front of the open fire, soaking up warmth for our bodies and companionship for our misery," Lowe recalls. "I remember he burst in exclaiming, 'Coach, there is no mud at all but the water is about two inches deep!' This broke the spell. Brainy was not trying to

be funny. He wanted to be accurate. No mud but lots of water.

"After a few jokes and a little kidding all around, we began to develop a reckless, devil-may-care attitude. Surely we had seen the worst this season could offer."

Kentucky won the toss. The Wildcats elected to receive, eager to score early. Tennessee took the wind.

That gale carried the punts deep. Tennessee covered well and Kentucky stayed "bottled" in its own water for a long time. Often the referee would have to move the ball to a spot where the ground was showing so the ball wouldn't float off.

The first quarter ended 0-0. The second quarter was different. With the wind as an ally, Kentucky hammered at the Tennessee goal.

"Three times Kentucky was inside our 5-yard line with first

down," Lowe remembers. "But we held them, largely because they were determined to run their fullback on his favorite play, which was over our right tackle."

"Probably any other play would have scored because we lined



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Jocks, Bunnies And Last-Minute Deadlines

by Anson Mount

Happiness comes into your life through little doors you didn't know you left open," a wise Tennessee octogenarian once told me. What he meant was that the best things that happen to you in a lifetime are usually accidental, unplanned, unexpected.

So it was for me, one April morning in 1958, when I was suddenly cast as "one of America's leading experts on college football." That was an especially bemusing experience, since I knew practically nothing about the game.

What caused this to happen was the United States Supreme Court. Several old men decided one day that erotically explicit material (in those days that meant photographs only a little more revealing than the ladies' underwear ads in the Sears catalog) could not be considered legally obscene unless it was utterly without socially redeeming value.

"What's socially redeeming value?" asked a *Playboy* assistant editor at a hastily called meeting. All six staff members were in attendance.

"I think we ought to have a college football preview article every year, like *Saturday Evening Post*, *Look*, *Parade* and all those establishment mags," said publisher Hugh Hefner.

"Anybody here know anything about football?"

Nobody said anything.

"Anybody here ever go to the games?" he asked.

I meekly lifted my hand. "I watch the games. On television. Sometimes."

"You're our football expert," Hefner announced immediately.

"We need a 6,000-word article for the September issue. You got a month before copy deadline."

I telephoned Scoop Hudgins, then sports information director at Vanderbilt and now assistant to the commissioner of the Southeastern Conference. He was the only person I knew who had anything to do with college football, and I felt sure that he could help.

"How do you write a preseason prediction article?" I asked. "Beats hell out of me," he said, "but get on the train and come down here, and we'll figure it out together."

While I sat in his office, overwhelmed by the enormity of my task and feeling doom creeping in from all sides, Scoop calmly drew up a questionnaire that asked for all the information he said I would need to evaluate a football team. He didn't tell me how I was supposed to analyze the information once I got it. But he did give me a list of all the college sports information directors in the country. He told me to send the questionnaire to them and then hope for the best.

Scoop forgot to tell me which schools had football teams and which didn't, so I got some rather interesting replies from New York University, DePaul and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. I also got interesting replies from SMU and Duke. The publicist at SMU was outraged that a dirty magazine would print an article about college football (I finally had to bribe an assistant SMU coach to fill out my questionnaire), and the Duke

publicist agreed to furnish me the information about his team only if I would promise not to divulge my source. He was afraid for his job.

I did a lot of midnight telephoning and a great deal of guessing, but I made my copy deadline with 15 minutes to spare. In retrospect, I'm amazed at how well I did. In fact, my predictions that first year were slightly more accurate than the ones I made last year, after 19 years of sharpening my perceptions—which gives you an idea of just how predictable college football is in the first place.

A prominent feature of that first Pigskin Preview was a preseason All-America Team, the members of which were selected more on the basis of how often I had seen their name in *The Chicago Tribune's* sports pages than on any objective research. The quarterback on that first *Playboy* All-America team was a diminutive passer from the University of Miami, Fran Curci. (This year—exactly 20 years later—Curci's handsome visage will again appear in *Playboy*; he's our Coach of the Year, in recognition of the monumental job he has done in rebuilding the football program at the University of Kentucky.)

While I was selecting our third All-America team—for 1960—Hefner decided to splurge. Instead of sending a photographer around the

country taking individual shots of all the players, we would fly them into Chicago over a weekend and get a group picture. The Chicago *Playboy* Club had just opened, so we could get some added publicity for that fledgling operation by throwing a big

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Playboy Playmates like football. Alana Soares, Miss March 1983, is a former high school cheerleader.

It's Only a Game, Don't Get Upset

by George Leonard

The date was Nov. 6, 1869, and about 200 spectators, most of them well-dressed and all of them mannerly, showed up for the game that marked the beginning of American intercollegiate football.

It took place at College Field in New Brunswick, N.J., home of Rutgers University. The game—not really football, although it was called that, but a form of soccer—was between Princeton and Rutgers.

Princeton had a bigger, more muscular team. The betting was that the Tigers would win at that quiet lea where curious onlookers sat on the ground, on a wooden fence or in buckboards.

What they watched was football's first upset. Rutgers won that game of "headlong running, wild shouting and frantic kicking," as it was described in a journal of the day. The score was six goals to four.

How did the Scarlet Knights, with several players sporting bright red and black tartans, manage to down their brawnier opponents?

It was the old, old story—an underdog team fired by unalterable determination, intensely emotional, overcoming a force supposedly much superior but fatally tinged with complacency or guilty of underestimation. In short, inspiration prevailing over irresolution.

Of such a combination of circumstances is the unexpected—Upset!—fashioned.

Upsets occur every season, although not nearly as frequently as those who misuse the term to where it has become almost a cliché would have you believe.

What were the truly monumental upsets of the gridiron? Can they be narrowed to a select few that seem to stand the test of time?

If they can, such a restrictive listing must include three that most football historians agree on.

One, maybe the foremost, was Notre Dame's 35-13 bedazzling—largely through the use of an unsuspected passing attack with Gus Dorais throwing to Knute Rockne—of heavily favored Army at West Point on Nov. 1, 1913. The Fighting Irish, hardly known out of South Bend, Ind., and making their debut in the East, had been scheduled as a breather for the strong Cadets.

Another legendary upset was the defeat of mighty Harvard by tiny Centre College of Danville, Ky., with an enrollment of 254 students, on Oct. 29, 1921, at Cambridge, Mass. Bo McMillin faked a pass in the third quarter, cut over right tackle, veered left and ran 31 yards through the perplexed Harvard players for the game's only touchdown and a 6-0 victory. It was the Crimson's first loss in six years.

McMillin, who led the Praying—so-called because they asked for divine aid—Colonels to an astonishing triumph that thrilled the nation, was a colorful athlete who never cursed, never drank, never smoked and never put on a false front.

On his deathbed 31 years later, McMillin pleaded for a return of true amateurism in college football, saying: "It's the greatest of all games, but a boy has to love it to play well. It's not right to have to urge him, or pay him, to play. If he loves the game, he'll play it anyhow, and if he doesn't love it, he doesn't belong in it."

In the Rose Bowl game of 1934, undermanned Columbia, pitted by the entire country, was pitted against formidable Stanford with All-Americans Bill Corbus, Bobby Grayson, Bob Reynolds and Monk Moscrip. Sportswriters denounced Stanford for inviting a team that lost to Princeton 20-0 and had trouble beating Cornell, which dropped three games.

Many fans, expecting a slaughter, called it the worst bowl mismatch in history. In the second period, Al Barabas broke loose for 17 yards on the celebrated KF-79 play that became a part of football's lore and scored. Stanford, with one of its greatest teams, was staggered 7-0.

Movies of the game were shown at the Columbia Rose Bowlers' 20th reunion. As the first half ended, Barabas turned to his old coach, Lou Little, and said, "Let's not show the second half. They might beat us." Even two decades later, Little's players still couldn't quite believe it happened.

Some rate a game played a few years later on a par with those three in terms of the totally unexpected.

On the afternoon of Nov. 28, 1942, Boston College, No. 1 in the Associated Press poll and winner of eight straight games, squared off against Holy Cross, loser of four and tied once, at Boston's Fenway Park.

That night, nearly 500 persons died within 15 minutes when the Coconut Grove, a popular Boston night club, burned. A victory party for the Boston College players had been arranged there. It was canceled after Holy Cross' almost incredible 55-12 rout of a team that went into the game a 4-1 favorite.

In the football annals of Georgia, the fall of 1942 is fondly remembered. Bulldog immortals Charlie Trippi and Frank Sinkwich ran in the same backfield. The team won 11 games and shut out UCLA in the Rose Bowl. But on Nov. 21 that year Auburn, four times a loser, kept Georgia's season from being perfect with an unforeseen 27-13 triumph that merits discussion when the South's greatest upsets are brought up. Some of Auburn's heroes were Monk Gafford, Jim Reynolds, Fagan Canzoneri and Zack Jenkins.

Oklahoma had won 31 consecutive games when it met Kentucky in the Sugar Bowl on Jan. 1, 1951. The streak ended there 13-7 because Bear Bryant had the underdogs as ready as any team of Wildcats ever was. Scrimmages were so violent they had to be cut short, Bryant wrote in his book *Bear*. Babe Parilli completed 13 of 15 passes in the first half, including touchdown throws to Shorty Jameson and Al Bruno.

Since this story was published, the writer has consulted with author Tim Cohane, whom he recognizes as college football's leading historian. Cohane's choice as the No. 1 upset was Illinois' 14-9 victory over "the perfect team"—Minnesota—on Nov. 4, 1916.

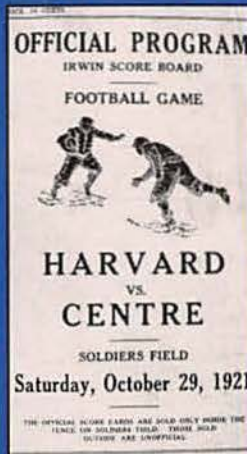
We rectify that omission and at the same time include the No. 1 latter-day shocker: the University of Texas-El Paso's 23-16 upending of Brigham Young on Oct. 26, 1985.

The Minnesota team that Illinois, coached by Bob Zupke, defeated in Minneapolis 70 years ago was thought to be even stronger than Fielding H. Yost's early-century Michigan juggernauts. The Gophers outscored six other opponents in 1916 339-14. Illinois finished 3-3-1.

Texas-El Paso had won only 14 of 115 games in the last 10 years and was 0-6 on the day it beat 1985 national champion BYU in El Paso. "It looks like God is still in the miracle business," said UTEP Coach Bill Yung. He was fired after a 1-10 season.

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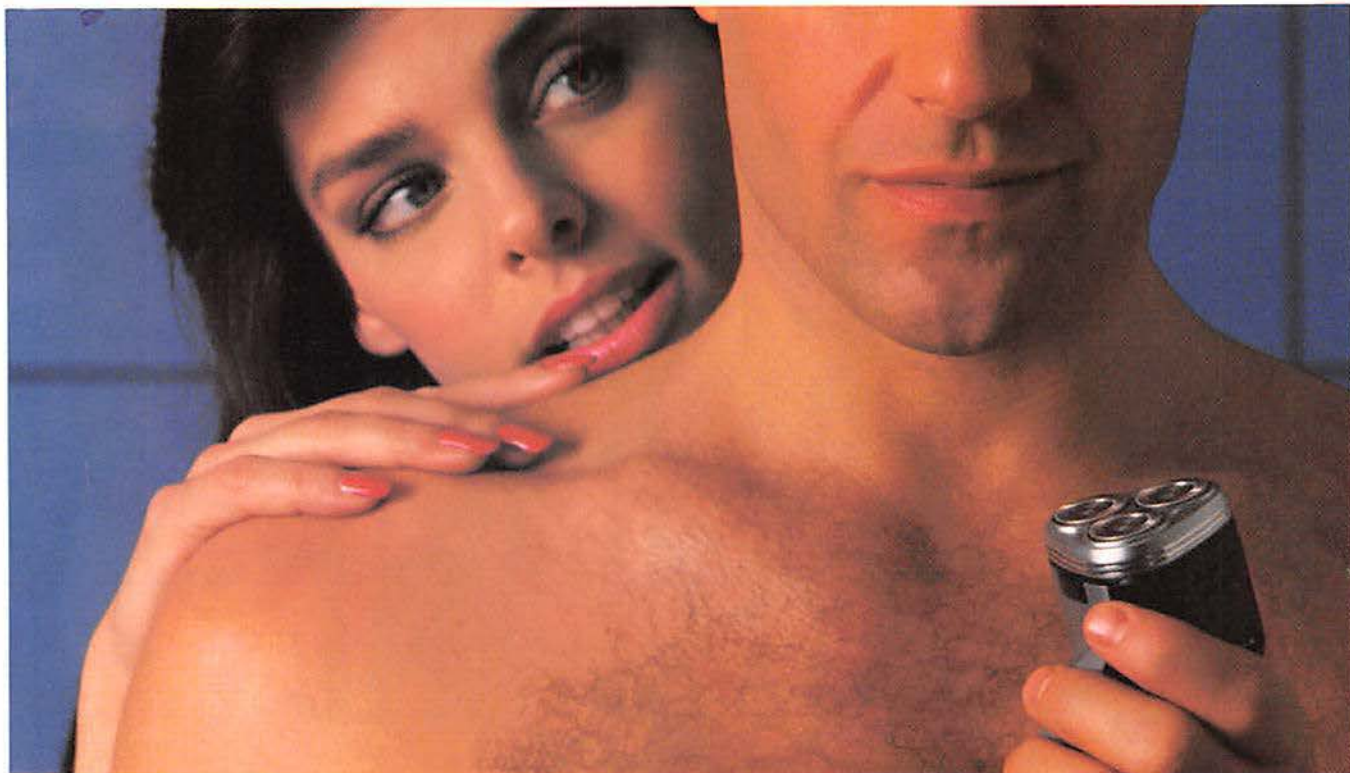


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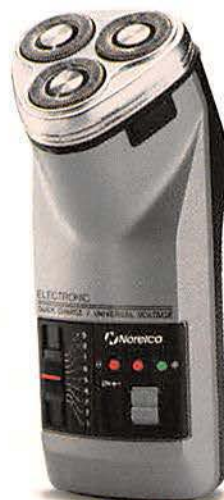
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nothing about the boy's football ability other than what I had read, on the golf course he looked like a great athlete. Huey was happy to hear this, and in a few days, Art had a new set of golf clubs, a present from Huey."

Foley gave Heard his word he'd report to LSU, but the Kingfish was still taking no chances. In the fall, he sent Heard back to Oklahoma to escort him to Baton Rouge.

The Saturday after Labor Day, with LSU scheduled to hold its first scrimmage, a limousine drove onto the field inside Tiger Stadium. Out stepped Huey, who opened the rear door—and then out stepped Foley. The Kingfish took the halfback over to where the team was huddled and turned him over to Cohen. With a wave of the hand to all of the writers present, Huey popped back into his limousine and drove off with the contented look of someone who had delivered a precious Christmas gift.

As a junior college transfer, Art Foley, a 6-3, 175-pound triple-threatener, was eligible immediately, but, because of a tooth infection, he was not ready for LSU's opener against TCU in Fort Worth, a game the Tigers lost 3-0. The following week, however, Foley made Huey Long look like a shrewd judge of talent. Busting loose repeatedly, Foley scored three times, zigzagging 56 yards for one touchdown and returning a punt 62 yards for another as LSU smashed little Spring Hill College of Mobile 35-0 in the first night football game played in Baton Rouge.

Although Spring Hill was no major opponent, Long was ecstatic. Even Cohen, who had been dubious of Huey's recruit from the start, was excited. At the time, no one dreamed Spring Hill would be Foley's only game for LSU.

"The bad news came in a hurry," said Heard. "A few days after the game, Art began to hemorrhage in the shower. A specialist was called in, and he advised Art to give up football and return home where the drier climate might hasten his recovery."

The Kingfish was crushed. "He not only felt sorry for the boy but indebted to him," said Heard. "Before Art left, Huey gave him a new Ford sports car, a red one, to drive back to Oklahoma." Art Foley had little time to enjoy his second gift from the governor of Louisiana. Within a few months, he was dead of tuberculosis. When Heard broke the news, Huey wept.

Actually, Huey cried through most of the 1931 season, a 5-4 year that finished with a 34-7 loss to Tulane, which also finished Cohen.

This brought Biff Jones into the Kingdom of the Kingfish, and it's an interesting historical footnote that Jones, Army's head coach in 1927, '28 and '29, was hired only after the blessing of Chief of Staff Douglas MacArthur. A close friend of MacArthur and, at the time, serving as assistant athletic director at West Point, Jones was detailed to LSU as an instructor in military science so he would not have to resign from the Army.

A keen organization man, Jones quickly assembled a big-time staff, loads of talent, and LSU was on its way. Under him, the Tigers lost only twice in '32 and were unbeaten in '33.

By the time the fall of '34 arrived, everyone was running a high football fever. This is one reason the Kingfish would tolerate no opposition from a circus or, a few weeks later, from a railroad.

In Baton Rouge, the 1934 season is best remembered today as "the year of the Nashville Special," the time Huey announced he would lead a mammoth invasion of Tennessee "to repay Andrew Jackson for saving New Orleans."

Huey decided no LSU student was going to miss the Vanderbilt game because of a lack of funds, and it didn't bother him a bit when an official of the Illinois Central Railroad told him cut-rate tickets for students were out of the question. The Kingfish simply telephoned the railroad president. During the call, he mentioned that railroad bridges in Louisiana were being taxed at \$100,000. "It would be a pity," Huey told the IC president, "if the Louisiana legislature suddenly decided that

the assessment should be raised a little, say to \$4 million."

Huey made his point. The railroad agreed to a \$6 fare for a round-trip that normally cost \$19. Once the fare was established, Huey appeared on the LSU campus passing out an estimated \$3,000 in loans of \$7 per student—\$6 for the fare, \$1 for meals. Some students wrote IOUs on laundry slips.

Six special trains carried approximately 5,000 students and fans in what still ranks as one of the largest football exoduses in Louisiana history. Said the *Nashville Banner* in a front-page headline: "Nashville Surrenders to Huey Long."

Alternating as cheerleader, bandleader and waterboy, the Kingfish overshadowed LSU's 29-0 victory over an unbeaten Vanderbilt team.

Defeat changed the climate. Tulane, a pet hate of Huey's, upset LSU in Baton Rouge to win a trip to the first Sugar Bowl. A week later, Tennessee whipped the Tigers. Naturally, this double jolt had Huey's patience wearing thin. With LSU trailing Oregon 13-0 at halftime in the final game of the 1934 season, he found he could control himself no longer.

The Kingfish stormed into the LSU dressing room demanding to talk to the team. Jones refused. "I'm sick of you losing games," snapped Huey. "You'd better win this one."

Jones shot back: "Well, senator, get this: win, lose or draw, I quit."

"That's a bargain," said Long.

In the second half, LSU came back to win 14-13—but Biff Jones kept his bargain. He quit.

Huey was overly concerned over finding a top replacement. First, he felt out Clark Shaughnessy (who wasn't interested), and then he arranged a meeting with Alabama's Frank Thomas. The secret rendezvous took place in the Roosevelt Hotel in New Orleans, when Bama stopped off on its way to the Rose Bowl. Thomas verbally agreed to terms: \$15,000 for himself and \$7,500 each for two assistants of his choosing.

As a precautionary measure, the Kingfish told Heard to accompany Thomas to California, making sure the coach wouldn't change his mind. It was the Kingfish who had a change of heart. When Alabama reached the West Coast, Heard picked up a newspaper with the headline: "Kingfish Appoints Bernie Moore Coach."

"After I left with Alabama," said Heard, "Huey called Dan McGugin, former coach at Vanderbilt and a man he respected, for a recommendation. Dan recommended Bernie, who had come to LSU as an assistant in 1928, the year Huey was elected governor. In 1933, Bernie took a five-man track team to Chicago and brought back the NCAA championship. Huey flipped over this. In hiring Bernie, he was hiring what he had promised LSU fans—a coach with a reputation."

Huey wasn't about to let Moore take over without any help. So he called McGugin and asked for a play that "would score every time." Dan diagrammed something he called "Number 88," and the Kingfish explained it to Bernie.

Moore recalled the circumstances.

"Huey was a senator and had come to Baton Rouge from Washington for a special session of the legislature. I said to him, 'Senator, why don't you go to Hot Springs and rest up for the football season? We're gonna have a pretty good team.' As usual, he was excited. He had hired the bandleader from the Blue Room in New Orleans to take over the LSU band. Together, they had written 'Touchdown for LSU' and 'Miss Vandy,' a ditty Huey planned to introduce on a return to Nashville in October. But Huey was determined to pass another law (against the oil industry), and I guess this determination helped alter Louisiana history."

A few days after the conversation, Huey Long was shot in the State Capitol. Two days later he was dead. And Bernie Moore, with the 1935 season at hand, never felt obligated to use "Number 88."

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(Mystique of Spirit continued)

that my best teams had a certain closeness that was evident early in the season. You could feel the bond that existed before the season even started. So in that respect, you could kind of predict that you were going to play well. You didn't know how the injury thing would go, or how the ball would bounce, but you knew you had something going for you.

"The 1980 team at Notre Dame was my last. It was very young, but it was evident early that it had that kind of spirit, almost from spring practice. A writer from Indianapolis, John Bansch, summed it up beautifully in a story headlined 'A Team Called Love.' I guess it might sound a little corny, and it might be that love is a word that has gotten a little out of use lately, but that was the way it was."

"Whatever you call it, however you define it, it has to exist," says UCLA Coach Terry Donahue. "Whether it is spoken or unspoken, the link must be there if you are going to succeed. The best teams I've been associated with, either as a player or a coach, were close teams. Even now, though apart, we seem to be friends."

After finishing at Ohio State, Kern played in the NFL for the Baltimore Colts and Buffalo Bills and is now a successful businessman in Ventura, Calif. "In our case, we didn't have just good football players—we had great athletes," he says. "That, coupled with our esprit de corps, just made it more of a positive reinforcement image. We said, 'Gee, we've really got something great going.'"

Was Woody Hayes responsible? Is any coach responsible?

"I don't want to take anything away from the coaching profession, because coaches are extremely important," says Kern. "And a guy like Woody Hayes or Bear Bryant or Joe Paterno—those kinds of people were great because they could sense it among their players and would try to bring it out."

"Yet at the same time, I really think that if they saw it happening naturally, they were wise enough to take a back seat and allow it to happen and then capitalize on certain situations that would foster it. For example: The week before we played Michigan in 1968 at Ohio Stadium, Woody didn't scream and holler as much as he did our senior year. He kind of let the events happen and guided them, and he was able to sense that feeling among us, that oneness. At the same time, he fostered a lot of rallying points in certain situations and at certain positions."

The spirit was there, and it was building, and it never left.

"I was fortunate to play on a team that lost only two games in three years," says Kern. "Those two losses still bother me. They still come back to haunt us."

"That's what we talked about at our 10-year reunion. Here we are celebrating our national championship, and guys are standing around saying, 'We never should have lost those two games.' I don't think we lost our closeness over the next two years, when we were juniors and seniors. It's probably far greater now than it was 14 or 15 years ago. We haven't lost anything. It's just like time has stayed the same. Team spirit is an abstract, and I don't know anybody who could describe it adequately. But if we could bottle it and sell it, we'd all make millions."

"I know that when we had that reunion you could just feel the same kind of vibrations, the same spirit, the same comradeship. It was still there. It was like we'd just played USC and won the national championship."

Rex Kern and Leo Hayden were roommates at Ohio State.

"There's a perfect example where we as a team could help a guy like that," says Kern. "When we went back for the reunion, you could see that everybody there had been successful doing something. They hadn't changed. That's where the tragedy of Leo comes in. He was a great asset to our team. We were all in it together."

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(Stanford Band continued)

Fearless, radical, political, yes... in a tribute to Valley Girls, the band formed a giant spoon to gag upon; when former Secretary of the Interior James Watt was in verbal hot water, the band formed a foot, then a cannon, then Watt shooting himself in the foot with said cannon.

But boring...? NEVER.

"We'll do anything, as long as it's not in too bad taste," says Ben Langlotz, manager (zookeeper?) of the Stanford Not-Exactly Marching Band.

Langlotz says ideas for each week's show are the brainchild of anybody who will show up on Monday nights to drink the free keg of beer (an endless supply donated by a beer company in appreciation of the band's appearance at a motivational seminar).

The head-knocking meetings are held in the band's headquarters, a place known as "The Band Shak" (sic). It looks like Andy Warhol's garage. Nearly every inch of its walls is covered by signs—street signs, hospital signs, highway signs, bar signs. The most prized are "This Space Reserved for University of California VIPs," "Nursing Home Crossing" and a sign from a Pennsylvania farm warning visitors to "Stop here if you have sick pigs at home."

"It's home," says Langlotz.

Tryouts are held at the beginning of the year (last year more than 220 brave souls showed up) and 144 are picked. (The rest, a few cynics say, make up the football team.) The band travels to West Coast games and says it'll go to the Rose Bowl if it ever happens. They have no chaperons. They pick out their own music, choreograph their own formations and fight their own feuds.

But though they have always been outrageous, not until the birth of The Big Play did they achieve real fame.

After the historic event, Big Play souvenirs sold as fast as people could think things up. A San Francisco radio station sold 4,000 tapes (\$6.50 each) of the actual broadcast of the Big Play by KGO announcer Joe Starkey. One store said it sold 32,000 T-shirts with the play diagrammed on the front. Then the Stanford ticket office ran a radio ad re-recording the Big Play, only this time with the Cal runner falling at the one and a Walter Cronkite imitator saying, "And that's the way it should have been."

The resumption of the Big Game series the year after the Big Play involved more rumors than a supermarket newspaper rack. Would Stanford get revenge? Would the Stanford band show up in shoulder pads? Would the Cal football team show up with tubas?

San Francisco police were so concerned the week before the Big Game that they put the Stanford band under surveillance. Who, them?

No need to worry. Stanford behaved themselves. They took the field (some wearing football helmets) and began their halftime extravaganza by forming the word "SORRY." Then the announcer read a statement that ended (as the band formed the word "But") with this: "blaming us for Big Game 1982 is going just a LITTLE TOO FAR."

With that, the band brought out the now-famous Tyrrell and named him "Official Big Game Scapegoat."

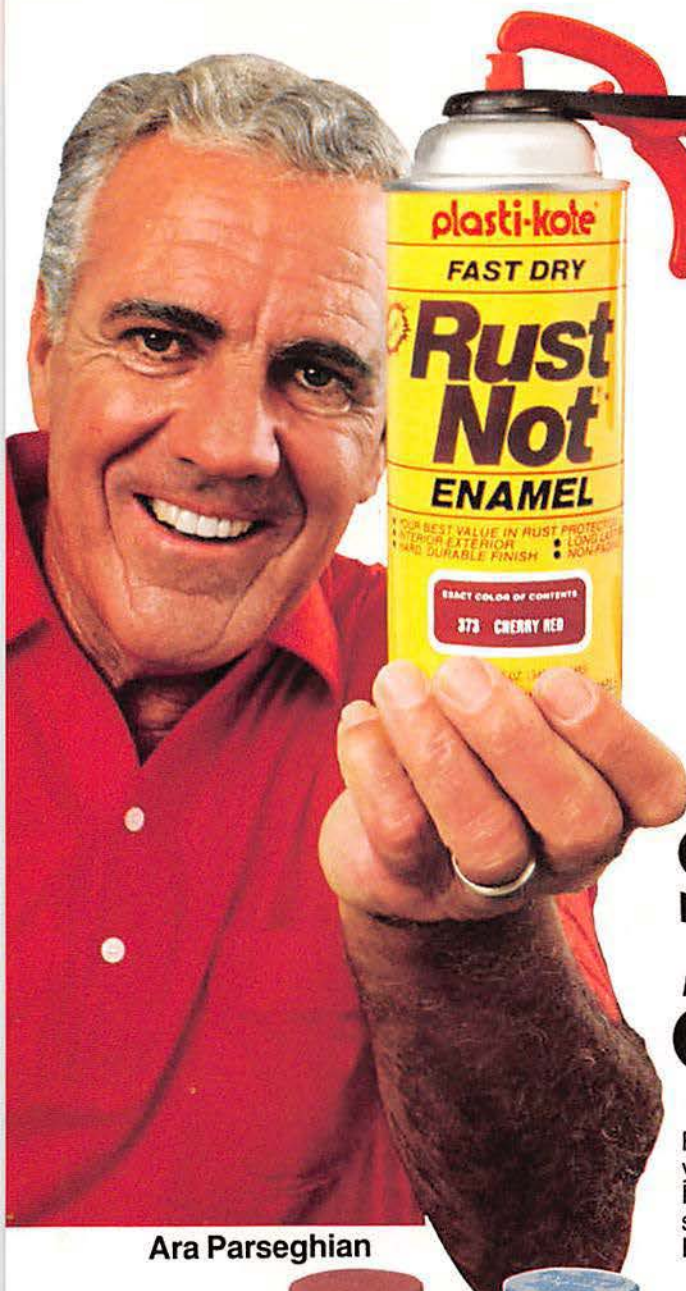
Tyrrell, by the way, graduated last June and now works at an accounting and financial brokerage in the Bay Area. He still has the famous trombone (although Cal claims to have it on display), and people still scrunch up their eyebrows when he mentions his name. He was famous for a time, though. National Irrelevant Week gave him a week's vacation, all expenses paid, in Newport Beach, Calif., and he made \$500 more appearing on two local TV shows.

Tyrrell's life is back to normal again, and the Stanford band is back to being abnormal again. Just the way they like it.

"The end result," says Langlotz, "is that we play good music, rile up the fans and rile up the team. Basically, we're entertainers."

Just hope they don't come to your town.

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(20-Year Team continued)

LEE ROY SELMON, DL, Oklahoma, 1972-75

One of a trio of Selmon brothers who starred for the Sooners, he won the Outland Trophy and Lombardi Award in 1975. He was the main cog in a defensive unit that helped Oklahoma capture two national titles. He retired after 10 years with Tampa Bay.

JACK HAM, LB, Penn State, 1968-70

The last player signed during Penn State's 1966 recruiting season turned out to be an All-American (1970) and a starter for Nittany Lion teams that went 29-3, including 23 straight wins. He was also a regular on the vaunted Pittsburgh Steelers that won four Super Bowl championships. He retired in 1982.

JERRY ROBINSON, LB, UCLA, 1975-78

He was the first three-time All-American since Doak Walker of Southern Methodist in the late 1940s. Strength and speed made him one of the best in the new era of linebackers. He plays for the Los Angeles Raiders.

LAWRENCE TAYLOR, LB, North Carolina, 1977-80

Virtually unclaimed early in his collegiate career, he has become the standard by which present-day linebackers are judged. Strong, fast and vicious, he was an All-American and ACC Player of the Year in 1980. One year later, he was NFC Rookie of the Year and NFC Defensive Player of the Year as a member of the New York Giants. Now, he's considered the top linebacker in the NFL.

JACK TATUM, DB, Ohio State, 1968-70

He was one of the most feared tacklers in the game. Ohio State was 27-2 and won the national title (1968) during his career. He was a standout with the Oakland Raiders until his retirement in 1979.

KENNY EASLEY, DB, UCLA, 1977-80

The three-time All-American holds the school record for career interceptions with 19. He was also an excellent punt returner. An aggressive tackler, he once wore a towel adorned with a skull and crossbones. He was a 1984-85 All-Pro with the Seattle Seahawks.

JOHNNIE JOHNSON, DB, Texas, 1976-79

He intercepted 13 passes for the Longhorns. With his great ball-hawking techniques, he is tailor-made for today's one-on-one pass-coverage requirements. He's been a safety for the Los Angeles Rams since 1980.

DAVE ELMENDORF, DB, Texas A&M, 1968-70

He combined aggressiveness and intelligence in the secondary. In 1970, he was an All-American in football (safety) and baseball (center fielder). He was also a two-time Academic All-American. He retired from the Rams in 1979.

RAY GUY, P, Southern Mississippi, 1970-72

The legendary tales of his collegiate exploits (a 93-yard punt and another that sailed into the end zone seats) were proven when the Los Angeles (nee Oakland) Raiders made him the first punter to be selected in the first round of the 1973 NFL draft. He had a career average of 44.7 yards at Southern Mississippi and still is one of the best at his trade. His 13-year pro average is 42.4 yards for 960 punts.

PAUL W. "BEAR" BRYANT, Coach, Alabama

He was the winningest coach in Division I-A history with a 38-year record of 323-85-17 at Maryland, Kentucky, Texas A&M and Alabama. His 25 years at Alabama were the most notable. During that quarter of a century, the Crimson Tide won six national championships and 13 Southeastern Conference titles. He won six SEC Coach of the Year awards and three nationally. Alabama appeared in a record 24 straight bowl games under him and had an overall record of 232-46-9. During the 20 years of *Athlon*, his teams won three national titles, nine SEC crowns and were 152-34-3 overall.

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(Reagan's Coach continued)

parents, brothers and sisters, relatives, friends. He started slow, as he usually does, then let the tempo pick up. By the time he had finished, he was ready to play himself. Some of those kids cried in the dressing room. I told them I had a speck in my eye."

McKinzie rates Knute Rockne, Glenn S. "Pop" Warner, Paul "Bear" Bryant and Stagg the greatest coaches. Rockne was noted for fiery pregame and halftime orations.

"I followed Rockne more than any of them," he says. "He was special to me because he could fire up his troops. It's important that the players have their juices flowing when they go out there for the games."

What does McKinzie say in his pep talks?

"I don't store them away," he says. "They're all off the cuff. When a man has been coaching as long as I have, talking to football players isn't hard to do."

McKinzie has been coaching since 1921. Eureka asked him to be head football coach two years before he graduated after transferring from Oklahoma Methodist. He was a 5-9, 168-pound fullback.

One day in 1916, McKinzie, whose home was in Blackwell, Okla., saw a football game that thrilled him.

"I went home that afternoon to make a statement," he says. "I told my parents what I'd seen. I said I was going away to school to get an education and play football."

The passion remains.

"I eat up football," McKinzie says. "I love the game. When I'm not coaching, I watch it on television."

McKinzie lives alone in a cottage on the Eureka campus and returns his monthly pay to the college in the name of his wife, who died seven years ago.

He keeps up with trends but likes some features of the game as it used to be played.

"I'm not about to let this great sport pass me by," McKinzie says. "Football is more interesting now for the fans, but it's more complicated. I'm not sure coaches enjoy themselves as much as they used to."

Platoonery (the practice of using separate offensive and defensive teams) is not his idea of the way football should be played.

"I wouldn't have wanted that as a player," McKinzie says. "I liked staying on the field."

Nor is the craze to win and resultant pressure on coaches and their staffs his conception of the true college spirit.

"I hate to think that some coaches are cheating and getting by with it, while others are playing fairly," he says. "But it's obvious that some are paying players. We're making a business out of what has always been a grand game. I wish we could make it fun again."

McKinzie backs to the hilt get-tough measures to clean up college athletics.

Being charged with the development of young athletes is a responsibility McKinzie has always considered paramount.

"You can destroy a kid by taking away his confidence if you're not careful," he says. "That's probably the one thing that keeps me going, knowing that I'm contributing something to a young man that'll make him a better citizen, a person who'll step out as a leader. I'm telling you, a football background is the best preparation a man can have."

Reagan subscribes to the same theory.

"Any form of competition teaches discipline and encourages us to do our best," the president said. "Team sports teach the value of working with others to reach a goal. They also encourage a sense of pride. These are all good things for a country as well as for individuals."

Does McKinzie think President Reagan is doing a good job of leading the country?

"You better believe I do. He's one of my old players, isn't he?"

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(Thanksgiving Classic continued)

up knowing what to expect. We came up with an unusual defensive move in this quarter, one we had developed through the season."

The late Estes Kefauver, who became a prominent U.S. senator, played beside Lowe in the Tennessee line. He was a tall, rugged man with a powerful charge off the ball, elbows pumping like lethal pistons. Lowe says his lowest rib on the right side still does not know which way to go to avoid Kefauver's elbow. To avoid being hammered by his teammate, Lowe came up with a protective move. He would lock Kefauver's left arm with his own right to give the sore ribs a little rest. At the goal line, in close formation against the fullback's rush, the two linemen were down, locked arm in arm.

"We didn't plan this illegal defense," says Lowe. "It just grew from my effort to protect my ribs. But, oh, how it worked on this day against Kentucky. We stopped that fullback 12 times inside the 5 without yielding a touchdown."

The 1923 Kentucky team was not awesome. It had defeated Marshall and Cincinnati and Maryville College and good old Georgetown. But the week before the Tennessee game, Kentucky tied Georgia Tech in Atlanta, and Tech had been proclaiming it had the best team in the South.

Curtis Sanders and Ted Brewer and Turkey Hughes and Turner Gregg were in the Kentucky backfield. Dell Ramsey and Ab Kirwan were the ends. E.A. Stevenson, Doc Martin, Chuck Rice, J.W. Cammack and James Russell were the men in the middle of the line.

And Tennessee was countering with Bill Hatcher and Tarzan Holt, Lowe and George Burdette, Kefauver and Tom Robinson, B.Y. Morris, and a backfield of Billy Bone, Herb Neff, Fred Robinson and Billy Harkness.

Bone was Tennessee's punter, and in this crucial second period, he kicked three times from behind the goal, and the wind whipped that wet ball and almost blew it back in Billy's face.

"The half ended 0-0, and if we had been up before the game, we were soaring now," Lowe recalls. "The dressing room had a big mirror, but you couldn't recognize yourself unless you waved an arm and watched for it in the glass. We showered with our uniforms on to get rid of some of the mud."

Kentucky began feeling the pressure of the scoreless dilemma in the third quarter but couldn't get any points. Into the fourth the deadlock continued.

"Kentucky had the ball on about its 25," remembers Lowe. "There was a running play and a big pileup, and like a wet seed squeezed hard, the ball popped out and into the arms of our defensive back, Billy Harkness."

Harkness trotted in for a touchdown, an easy run of 22 yards. It was ironic that Harkness should break the scoreless tie. He probably wouldn't have been in the lineup that day in Lexington except for an injury to Jimmie Smith, quarterback in most games.

Tennessee kicked off, Kentucky chased the ball, slithering around in the mud and water, and captured it on the 2. Gregg had the task of punting it from the end zone a few moments later, and Holt blocked the kick. Neff recovered for another Tennessee touchdown.

The game was almost over. Kentucky, trying desperately to rally, went to the air. Holt intercepted a pass. Time was short. Tennessee lined up in a field-goal formation, but it was a fake. Bone scampered down the sideline with the ball for a third Tennessee touchdown in a matter of two minutes or so.

"No one believed the 18-0 score except the handful of fans who stayed to the very end of the game," says Lowe. "Telegrams came from Knoxville to the Phoenix Hotel, not messages of congratulations but questions: 'What is the correct score?'"

It is a fact. They just don't make Thanksgivings like that anymore.

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(Jocks, Bunnies continued)

party at the club and inviting the press. I finally found 11 coaches with All-America-type players who would trust their charges to our care for a weekend, and the whole thing came off without a hitch. The party was a whopper (Syracuse halfback Ernie Davis monopolized Hefner's girlfriend, and Texas Tech center E.J. Holub turned cartwheels on the buffet table). The group photograph in the September issue was a beauty. We got dozens of letters (and we still do) from readers asking us how we had managed to fake such an impressive photograph.

In the early years we had frequent problems with schools that were wary of sending their All-America candidates to Chicago for the *Playboy* weekend. It was evident to coaches that *Playboy's* enormous readership probably had much to do with determining which players received postseason recognition, but many coaches apparently were afraid their innocent little boys would be systematically debauched by hordes of lascivious *Playboy* Bunnies. Purdue quarterback Bob Griese was allowed to come only if accompanied by assistant coach Bob DeMoss (who, incidentally, enjoyed the party more than anyone).

In 1961 I had a particularly difficult problem with Paul Dietzel. Preacher Paul was then in his salad days as coach at West Point, and the center on his Army team, one Townsend Clarke III, appeared to me to be the best in the country. I called and inquired about Clarke's availability.

"Absolutely not," thundered Dietzel into the receiver. "I have no intention of allowing any of my players to be subjected to the immoral influence of that magazine."

That ended the matter. So I had to go with my second choice at the center position, Dick Butkus of Illinois. It was a fortunate turn of events in more ways than one. Though Dick hardly said a word the whole weekend (he was, believe it or not, painfully shy in those days), I worked hard at making him feel comfortable. We became good friends, and still are.

Each year, for any of a variety of reasons, I get to know one or two of the players better than the others, and they remain friends over the years, writing, telephoning at Christmas, stopping in for lunch while passing through Chicago or showing up (often unannounced) at my country home in Tennessee for extended visits.

One year my wife and I took a particular liking to Wayne Mass, an offensive tackle from Clemson, and fullback Larry Csonka of Syracuse. After the Saturday night party at the Playboy Mansion had ended and the other players were safely tucked in their beds at the Sheraton Hotel, the four of us sat in the lobby talking. Wayne suggested we go into the cocktail lounge for a final beer before turning in.

The lounge was quite dark. After we had gotten our beers, Mass, Csonka and my wife stood back in the shadows, talking. I was bushed from a long day, so I sat on a barstool. A little baldheaded guy on the next stool was surly and belligerent. When my arm accidentally brushed against him, he leaped to his feet, screaming curses. He insisted on fighting me right there. I tried vainly to placate him. He wouldn't listen—he drew back to hit me. Suddenly he felt a tap on his shoulder and looked up into the faces of two young men who were each a foot taller and a hundred pounds heavier.

"Excuse me, sir," said Csonka. "Are you trying to start a fight with our dad?"

The little man evaporated.

After playing host to over 300 All-America football players over the past 20 years, the most prevailing impression I have of them, as a group, is astonishment at what a clean-cut and well-behaved bunch of young men they are. All my preconceived notions about dumb jocks have been dispelled. There may be some animal types playing ball somewhere, but they rarely earn All-America status. Take it from "one of America's leading experts."

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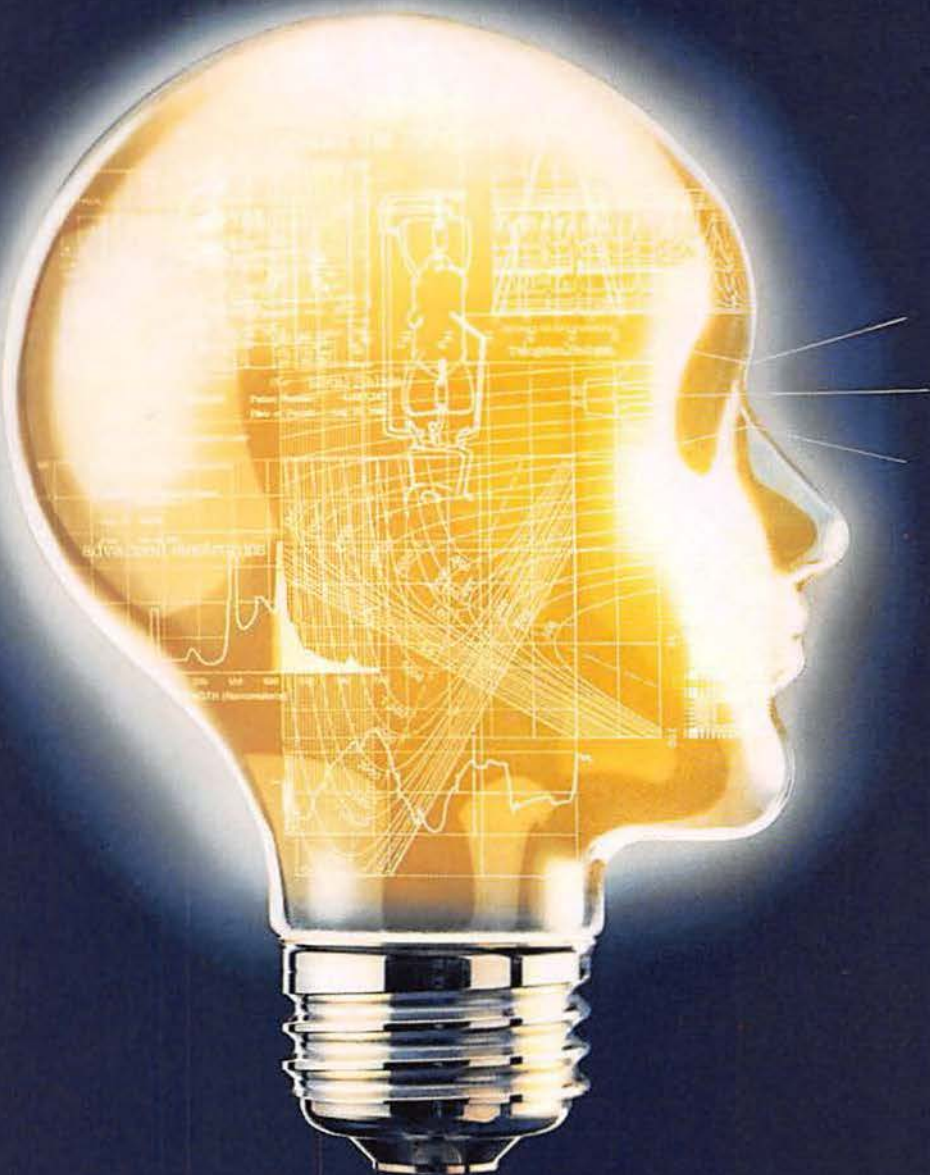
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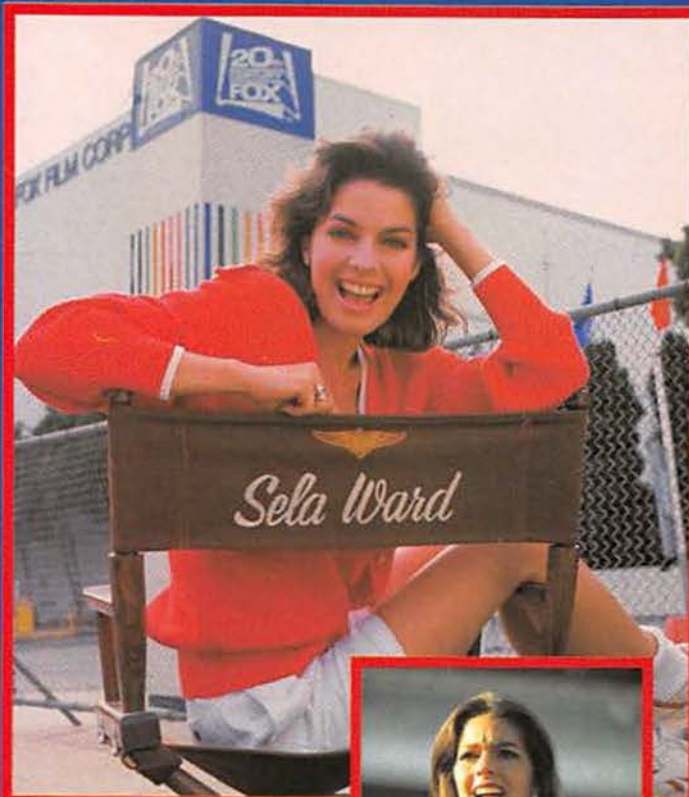
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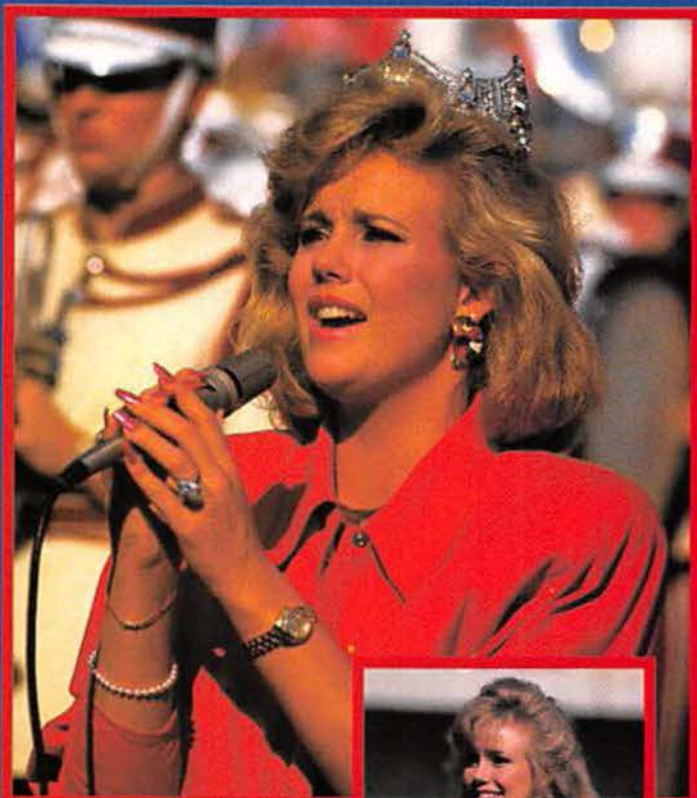


Honey Watching Revisited

The attractive, talented young women—cheerleaders and majorettes—of college football have always been featured in Athlon's annuals. Here's an update on the lives and careers of five who graced our pages.



Actress and model Sela Ward favored Athlon with three appearances. You may have seen her on the large screen in *The Man Who Loved Women*, which starred Burt Reynolds, and on television in *Emerald Point*.



As a student at Ole Miss, Susan Akin appeared in our 1985 annuals. Later, she became Miss Mississippi and then Miss America. Athlon caught her singing the national anthem at her alma mater's homecoming last fall.

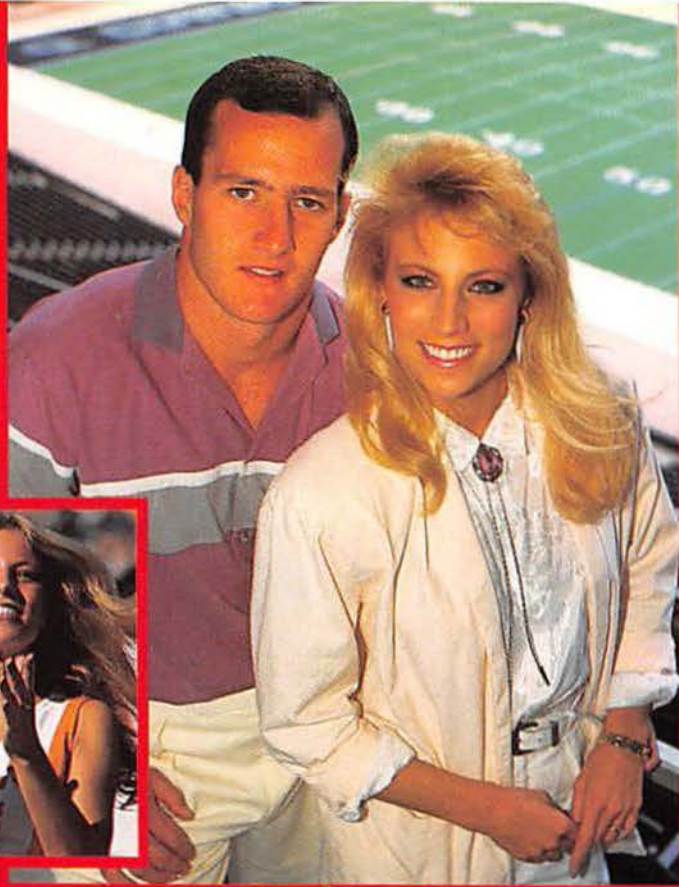
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Denise Conrad, a former Tennessee cheerleader, lives and models in Dallas. Husband Bill Bates, a former Vol, plays for the Cowboys. The couple is pictured at his place of business. Denise and Bill were seen last fall on NFL Today promoting the United Way campaign.



Monica Hart (below) brightened three of our annuals as a Washington coed. She's now a hardworking television journalist for Seattle CBS affiliate KIRO. Monica says she's happy to be in Husky territory.



Sherry Thrift (above), who adorned two Athlon yearbooks, was the first runner-up to Miss America. The former Clemson cheerleader keeps in shape by dancing; she's a national champion clogger. Sherry pursues a modeling career yet remains close to football. Her fiance coaches defensive ends at Wofford College.

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Much Ado About Nothing To Nothing

by Tim Cohane

Kids 50 and under will doubt this, but back in 1935, '36 and '37, in New York's Polo Grounds, Pittsburgh and Fordham played three straight scoreless ties. Supposedly untouchable records have genuflected to time. Don't bet that one ever will.

Brought up on the pass and high scores, you may think that two dozen goose eggs made a bland dish. Not so. The sight of the strongest running attack of the time crashing against the strongest defense brought sellout crowds to their feet, roaring or hushed in tension. Grind-it-out football could be nerve-grinding drama. I know. As Fordham's sports information director, I was there.

The players were sturdy sons of the Great Depression. They came from Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, New Jersey, New York and New England. Many were poor, and all were hungry, not only for the laurel wreath but an education. Most of them went on to success in the professions or business.

They received board, room, tuition and books—a full ride worth less than \$1,000 a year. No flashy cars were thrown in. They traveled by street car, bus, subway, el or foot. They weren't used to much, didn't expect it. They were grateful if some alum gave them a needed overcoat or new suit.

Legends walked among them. Four are in the College Hall of Fame. Fordham has center-linebacker Alex Wojciechowicz (pronounced Woe-gee-hoe'-wits) and tackle-guard Ed Franco. Pittsburgh has halfback-fullback Marshall Goldberg and tackle Averell Daniell.

Wojie, as Wojciechowicz was known, was as unblockable as he was unpronounceable. Devil Doll Franco was easier on the tongue if not the ball carrier. Biggie Goldberg, from Elkins in the West Virginia hills, was an explosive runner, blocker and tackler, at top speed on his second stride. He was also a quietly fierce competitor and perfectionist. And brainy. Pitt's best-ever runner has to be Tony Dorsett, but its top two-way back was Marshall Goldberg. Daniell, a rare Pitt walk-on, epitomized smart tackle play.



Coach Jock Sutherland benignly regards his Dream Backfield at Pittsburgh in the late 1930s: (from left) Hal Stebbins, Marshall Goldberg, John Chickerno and Dick Cassiano.

As a senior in 1938, Goldberg shifted from left half to fullback; he was All-America in both positions. Goldberg, halfbacks Dick Cassiano and Hal "Curly" Stebbins, also superb runners, and quarterback John Chickeneo became the Dream Backfield. And the Fordham line became the Seven Blocks of Granite. The right guard of the Blocks later won immortality at Green Bay. Fellow named Vince Lombardi.

Both coaches, Dr. John Bain "Jock" Sutherland of Pitt, and James H. "Sleepy Jim" Crowley of Fordham, are also in the Hall. "Sutherland," said former Coach Dick Harlow of Harvard, "had the greatest ground attack against the greatest teams. He ran Notre Dame right off the schedule. Pitt could pick off, check and destroy a shifting defense better than any team I ever saw." Sutherland's record as coach of the Panthers (1924-38) was 112-20-12 (.819).

Crowley, left halfback on Notre Dame's "Four Horsemen" backfield of 1924, was a lot like his coach, Knute Rockne, a humorous after-dinner speaker, dressing room emotionalist and sound fundamentalist.

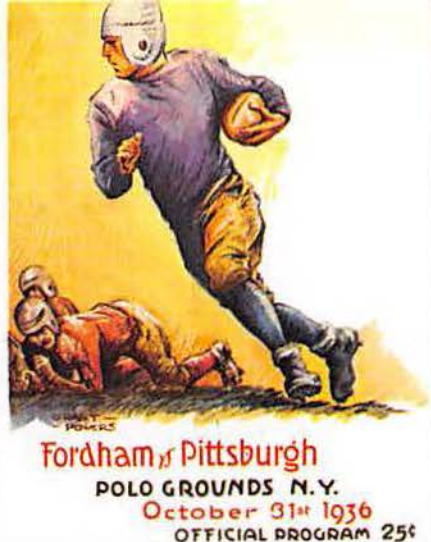
Legends? There was almost one for every third goose egg.

So, why, for 180 minutes, could nobody score? For one thing, football teams a half century ago, except in the Southwest, still used the pass principally to set up the run. They scored less, much less than they do now. For another, neither Pitt nor Fordham had a superior passer; in the three games, they put the ball up no more than 12 times all told. For still another, Pitt's defense was almost as good as Fordham's. The Panthers usually gave up no more than a touchdown and most times not that. They shut out 60 percent of their opponents in the 1935-37 years.

Most important, however, since Sutherland's juggernauts had worn down such as Southern Cal, Nebraska, Ohio State, Notre Dame and Washington, the Doctor was convinced they would ultimately crush Fordham. That's why he eschewed the pass. In a sense he was right. The Rams, perhaps deservedly, were well-favored by good fortune in 1937.

By today's standards Pitt and Fordham were Lilliputians. In the 1936 game, best of the three, Pitt's starting lineup averaged 187, Fordham's 186. The lines averaged 191 and 193, the backfields 180 and 173. The heaviest man on the field, game captain and tackle Tony Matisi of the Panthers, tipped 210. They lacked nothing, however, in condition, speed, quickness, dedication, fortitude, toughness and coaching. They played both ways, often for 60 minutes. At any weights, including today's, they would be champions.

Fordham went into the 1935 game an emphatic short-ender at 3-1. Pitt, agreeing with the odds, was overconfident, but not for long. The Rams, who had beaten Alabama in 1933 and Tennessee in '34, were not awed by name



It told all about the players in a 0-0 tie.

teams. They actually won the statistics, 150 yards to 73, and Handy Andy Palau, their all-purpose quarterback, missed a field goal from the 33 that would have won the game.

They had one back, later a Chicago Bear, who could match any of Pitt's in Joe Maniaci—big, strong, fast and erratic. Twice, Joe was in the open when safety Bobby LaRue tackled him. Bobby heard loud gongs.

Pitt was hassled also by queer minor calamities. On fourth and one on the Ram 35, instead of punting, quarterback Arnold Greene, who had a cannon of an arm, opted for a touchback by throwing the ball into the end zone, as the rules then permitted. He let fly at midfield, but

the ball fell short on the 10. Fordham took over at the 35, and Sutherland replaced Greene with John Michelosen—for keeps.

Worse yet, after Daniell blocked a Fordham punt on the 15, George Delich, the other tackle, fell on the ball instead of picking it up and running it in. Delich never forgave himself. Despite those weird happenings, Fordham won a moral victory, and her rooters ripped down the goal posts as the Panthers trudged off frustrated.

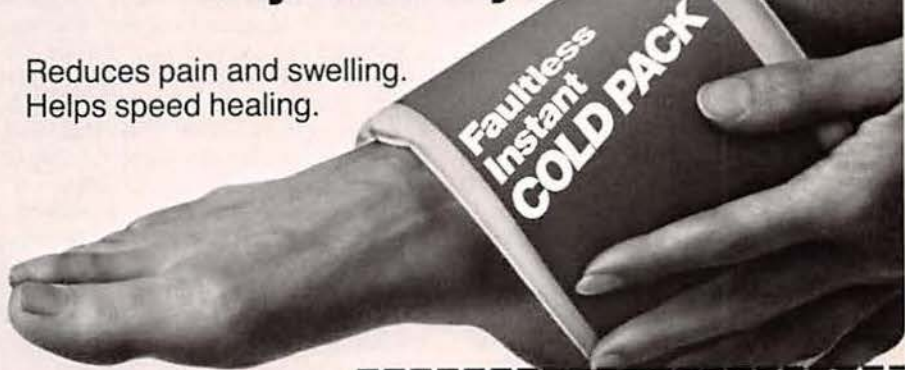
The week before the 1936 game, Pitt trampled Notre Dame 26-0 with sophomore Goldberg running, as one scribe put it, "like a typhoon on a holiday." Undeclared Fordham had beaten Southern Methodist, which had been to the Rose Bowl on Jan. 1, and St. Mary's Galloping Gaels, then a power. Here was headline stuff. Goldberg, the Jewish boy who had done in the Irish, was coming to the Bronx to test the pride of the Five Boroughs. Ticket scalpers feasted as 56,500 jammed the Polo Grounds.

In the Panthers' dressing room, Sutherland gave what was, for him, a long exhortation: "I want you to look good in the big city. If you want to make All-America, you can do it against this team." Meanwhile, Crowley was delivering a Rockne rouser: "My aged mother has come all the way from Green Bay to see you play for the first time. I want her to go home

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One of Fordham's Seven Blocks of Granite in 1936 was Vince Lombardi (third from left), famous Green Bay coach of the 1960s. The others were (from left) John Druze, Al Babartsky, Alex Wojciechowicz, Nat Pierce, Ed Franco and Leo Paquin.

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knowing that her son has a fighting team."

Pitt attacked Fordham like the Macedonian Phalanx. "We played a loose 6-2-2-1 defense," Wojie said. "I was the left outside linebacker. On their end runs and deep reverses, they had five men coming at you."

Yet Pitt could sustain only one drive—for 55 yards. Late in the third quarter, jolting rushes by Goldberg, LaRue and fullback Frank Patrick ground out four first downs and a fourth and one on the 3. The trench warfare was wicked. Tackle Al Babartsky, almost as good as Franco, was reeling. Lombardi was spitting out gobs of blood; he took 22 stitches later. Neither would come out.

And now the Polo Grounds was a madhouse as LaRue lined up in left formation, took the snap and headed for left tackle. There was a split-second gap there but Wojie closed it. "He lathered me," said LaRue. "He almost tore me to pieces." Joe Woitkoski boomed a 70-yard punt out of the end zone, and Fordham was not in trouble again. Near the end they drove 54 yards to the Pitt 27, but on fourth and one fullback Joe Dulkie slipped and fell.

"Next year," wrote Chet Smith, Pittsburgh columnist, "they should start the game on Monday morning and play until somebody scores."

Pitt went on to finish third nationally in the first year of the AP poll and demolish Washington in the Rose Bowl 21-0. Fordham beat Purdue 15-0 but then began to read its press clippings. Results: an unexpected tie, 7-7, by Georgia, and a shocking loss, 7-6, to 4-to-1 underdog NYU (New York University) in which the Rams gave up their only overland touchdown that year. The dismal ending knocked them out of the Top 10 and possibly the Rose Bowl, because Pitt had lost an early-season game to Duquesne. But Fordham's comeup-pance was at least motivation for 1937.

If, after the '37 game, Pitt players, especially the seniors, were convinced the Polo Grounds had been built to haunt them, who would have

argued? Late in the first half, Stebbins' 35-yard punt return, a pass (egad!) and three bursts by Patrick brought the Panthers to the Fordham 5.

Chickeneo, now the alternate quarterback with Michelosen, called a deep reverse with Goldberg carrying. Matisi warned in the huddle: "Anybody who holds on this play will answer to me." Stebbins headed to his left and slipped the ball to Goldberg who rocketed to his right in a wide arc. For once, Fordham was suckered and Marshall zoomed into the end zone. Nobody was anywhere near him. He could have run 200 yards.

Wait, though! A flag is down! Somebody was caught holding halfback Al Gurske. And guess who it was? Tony Matisi. At the New York writers' Monday luncheon, Sutherland questioned the call until they showed him a picture on the back page of the *Sunday News*. A photographer had zeroed in on Matisi's arm clamped tightly on Gurske's leg. (That was the closest the Fordham line came to giving up a touchdown on the ground that year.)

"The Fordham guy," Stebbins recalled, "is standing up but sort of leaning and holding on to something. I can still see the whole scene. It reminds me of the flag-raising at Iwo Jima."

Stebbins himself was under indictment with Matisi. Curly fumbled five times. He had broken a bone in his left hand in a Thursday scrimmage and couldn't handle the ball right. It cost Pitt another sure marker when he correctly read a Fordham pass to the right flat. "I was Johnny-on-the-spot for the interception," Stebbins said. "I had a clear field. There wasn't a chance of anybody catching me, even if I walked. I grabbed the ball, took three steps—and fumbled." His fumbles gave Fordham a chance for three field goals, all missed. Pitt also flubbed two.

After the game Sutherland was asked why he hadn't replaced Stebbins following the fourth fumble. "Because," Jock burred, "I'd no way of knowing he'd fumble a fifth time."

Pitt and Fordham won all their other games. The Panthers won the national title, with California, Fordham and Alabama 2, 3 and 4. Pitt turned down the Rose Bowl bid. Fordham hoped for it fervently. But it was Alabama that ate Christmas turkey in Pasadena.

The goose eggs ended in 1938, in Pitt Stadium. Graduation had broken up the Blocks, but their talented sophomore successors did nobly. Bill Daddio, Pitt's All-America end, broke the drought with a first-quarter field goal. Fordham scored the first touchdown in the second period. The Rams led 7-3 going into the last 15 minutes. They had not permitted the Panthers a touchdown for 15 periods.

Then Pitt finally broke through for 21 points, Cassiano scoring first off tackle and Goldberg twice up-the-gut. In the waning seconds, Fordham scored on a pass. It ended 24-13.

The 68,918 sellout still stands as a crowd record for the city of Pittsburgh. And they saw what Jock Sutherland called one of the finest four games he'd seen on the hilltop. Yes, there was much ado that day, too. But not about nothing to nothing.

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Solution to crossword puzzle on page 106.





Kevin Sweeney: solved dilemma, played for dad.

Pass the Wheaties, Coach

by John Owen

Filmed highlights of the only 1985 bowl game matching undefeated football teams are now available from the National Safety Council as a learning aid. What you learn is the advisability of fastening your seat belt, chin strap, money belt, garters and arch supports before a collision with the Fresno State Bulldogs.

At one point in the Bulldogs' 51-7 triumph in last year's California Bowl that halted Bowling Green's 14-game victory streak, the Fresno State quarterback flipped a pass toward Stephen Baker. The ball was tipped, Baker, 5-9, couldn't reach it, but it fell into the hands of split end Gene Taylor, who raced 53 yards for yet another score.

When the quarterback, a compact, jut-jawed Irishman named Kevin Sweeney, jogged off the field, he was greeted by an older and somewhat more animated Irishman named Jim Sweeney, who declared, "Kevin, Colleen is tipping them for you today."

The moment had a meaning that transcended the typical coach-athlete relationship, because, of course, the Sweeneys are also father and son, and Colleen was the daughter and sister the family lost when she was just 18 months old.

This fall the father will attempt to extend Fresno State's unbeaten streak while son Kevin takes aim at Doug Flutie's NCAA career passing record of 10,579 yards. And with 8,260 yards after three years, he'll get it if he's close to his average.

"Deciding I was going to play for my dad at Fresno State was a very tough decision," Kevin admits now. "Sometimes I wonder what might have happened if I'd gone to another school, like Washington. But the season we had in 1985 made it all worthwhile. It put the strawberries on the cheesecake."

Perusing the same menu in a different sport, a Southern athlete named Jim Durham

reached another decision a year ago about the University of Georgia and the man who heads that basketball program. "I think my dad (Hugh Durham) is the greatest coach, but I don't think I would want to play for him," Jim Durham says. "I've been around the house for 17 years, and I need to get out."

Bud Wilkinson understands what young Durham is talking about, even though it has been over two decades since the architect of some of Oklahoma's greatest teams talked about that same subject with son Jay, who was destined to become an All-America defensive back at Duke.

"We had several discussions on the subject, and I told Jay that he could attend any school he chose, as long as it wasn't Oklahoma," Wilkinson recalls.

"I had a very strong opinion on that subject then, and I haven't changed my mind. It is my feeling that college represents a bridge that a young man crosses from his family into relative independence. I didn't want to see Jay deprived of that opportunity."

"Beyond that, if he had gone to Oklahoma, he wouldn't have been Jay Wilkinson. He would have been 'Bud's son.'"

On the other hand, the coach of the Fighting Illini was kinda glad to look up and see "Mike White's son" trot out onto the field one Saturday afternoon last October when his team was tied 28-28 with Ohio State four seconds from the final gun. Son Chris kicked a 38-yard field goal, and Mike White of Illinois had to admit after the game, "I don't remember a sweeter victory in my coaching career, and you all know why. Chris is pretty darn good at what he does. We don't talk about situations like these. He does his job and I do mine."

When John McKay was at Southern California, he not only coached, sheltered and fed his son, pass-catcher J.K., but also for a time he unofficially adopted J.K.'s favorite quarter-



Jim Sweeney: changed his mind, went after son.

back, Pat Haden, when the latter's high school career might have been disrupted by a family move. And J.K. later followed his father into the pros at Tampa Bay, where the senior McKay became the target of criticism by frustrated fans.

Bobby Dodd wouldn't hear of such a thing when his Georgia Tech teams were setting a blocking-sled full of records.

"I was sorry my son (Bobby Jr.) couldn't play for me because we were real close, and he knew more football than many coaches," Dodd says. "As a youngster, he was brought up listening to me and my coaches talk."

"But a quarterback gets second-guessed enough even when he isn't playing for his father. That's because it's the most controversial spot on the football team. He went to Florida under one of my former coaches, Ray Graves, and he was coached by Pepper Rodgers, one of my former players. And I've never had any second thoughts about my decision. I've had friends who tried to coach their sons, and it didn't work out."

But that by no means represents a unanimous sentiment.

Fielding Yost, Bob Neyland, Dan McGugin and Earl Blaik all coached their sons. So, more recently, have Fred Akers of Texas, Jack Bicknell of Boston College, John Cooper of Arizona State (when he was at Tulsa), George MacIntyre of Vanderbilt, Jim Garrett of Columbia, Doug Dickey (when he was at Florida) and Frank Kush (at Arizona State).

There are others.

When Indiana played Michigan last fall, Hoosier Coach Bill Mallory tried to get his offense untracked against such Wolverine defensive standouts as inside linebacker Mike Mallory and strong safety Doug Mallory, his oldest sons.

Perhaps less frustrated in that game was Michigan's assistant head coach and defen-

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sive coordinator, Gary Moeller, since he was coaching son Andy, also an inside linebacker, who finished the regular season as the No. 1 tackler on the No. 1 defense against scoring in the nation.

"The only reason I did lead," Andy insists, "was because Mike was hurt for two games. He's a great player."

Andy is less loquacious when he hears teammates call his father "coach," because he has trouble getting the word out of his mouth. "It just doesn't come naturally," Andy says. "I think he's a great coach but he's my dad. So I just avoid calling him anything."

Perhaps the most interesting case studies in this continuing controversy involve the Sweeneys and the Elways.

No, they are not shooting cousins to the Hatfields and McCoys, although each family

was pretty sure he wanted to attend a Pac-10 school.

The decision was destined to break up a great team. In backyard games John and Jack had frequently been matched against the Elway girls, Lee Ann and Jana, John's twin sister.

"They made my patio into a basketball court," the mother of the clan, Janet, recalls. "I said, 'Where am I supposed to barbecue?' They said, 'Well, you can barbecue on the 10-second line at halftime.'"

In John's senior high school year, he was recruited by 65 major football schools, including Notre Dame and San Jose State.

"It really wasn't that tough," John remembers. "My father didn't put any pressure on me to go to San Jose State. He told me he wanted me to go where I wanted to go. I would have loved playing for my dad, but my real ambition

NFL, that father Jack got the head coaching job at Stanford and started frantically looking around again for a quarterback.

Jim Sweeney must have been paying attention through that whole period. When he belatedly realized he had one of the best college quarterback prospects sitting at his breakfast table, he decided this one wasn't going to get away.

"Really, the year before, I had no intention of recruiting Kevin (at his new head coaching job at Fresno State)," the elder Sweeney swears. "I told people I just didn't think it was a good idea to expose him to that added pressure of playing for his father."

Then he decided he should perhaps rethink his position, and he solicited some advice.

"I consulted Jack Curtice (one-time Stanford and Utah coach), one of the all-time great quarterback coaches in my opinion," the elder Sweeney says. "He had a son play for him and thought it was a great relationship."

"I talked with Al Onofrio (former Missouri coach). Al had five sons, and he told me he'll regret forever that he didn't have the chance to coach his own boys."

"I asked Bear Bryant. My oldest son, Jimmy, was a quarterback who went to Alabama. Danny (another son) went to Montana State. I looked at them later and wondered why I didn't have them playing for me."

Sweeney decided to go after that kid across the breakfast table, and the rest is history, the kind you read on the back of a Wheaties box.

"Kevin is as good a quarterback as there is in the country," Jim proclaims. "He can rifle the ball. He doesn't have Elway's height. But he can throw the ball deep, and he can throw moving in and out of the pocket."

"I feel he has some of Ken Stabler's attributes," adds the coach from his perspective as a former Raider aide. "A quarterback has to be tough to get his teammates' respect. But Kevin is a humble kid. He's not at all overbearing. Linemen love him. I tell him, 'Blow some blood on those linemen's shoes when you come back in the huddle. They love that!'"

"There were a couple of years when we played just above .500, and it was tough," Kevin says. "But our undefeated season convinced me I made the right decision. In Fresno the weather is good for a passing quarterback. And I don't think many quarterbacks around the country get to throw as often as I do. Football is a game of repetition. Whether you are running or throwing, you have to do it a lot to get better at it."

The same philosophy may hold true in raising football sons.

"Kevin is an awesome recruiter for Fresno State," Jim Sweeney says.

In another year, he may give the kid the entire kitchen as his recruiting territory. With particular emphasis, of course, on the breakfast table.



Doug Mallory (8) tackled the father/son, coach/player problem by going to Michigan.

has a son capable of rifling a football through a small knothole in a California redwood.

"I haven't seen John Elway for a while, but when I was in grade school, our families would get together, and I'd go over to his house and get killed," Kevin Sweeney recalls. "What I mean is that John and some of his friends were bigger, and I took a beating when we played around with the football."

That adolescent carnage evolved in Pullman, Wash. Jim Sweeney was head coach at Washington State then, and Jack Elway, John's father, was one of his most trusted assistants.

Eventually, Jack got a head coaching job of his own at San Jose State and suddenly discovered that the Elway home was rivaling the Football Hall of Fame for letters, phone calls and foot traffic. Son John was the hottest college prospect north of Patagonia.

Raised near the Washington State campus, John thought the football sun rose in the Los Angeles Coliseum and set in Palo Alto, and he

was to play for a school in the Pac-10."

"At the time we were recruiting a quarterback (at San Jose State), since Ed Luther was in his last year," Jack remembers. "I tell people that my offer to John was \$2,000 under the table, a new car and a mortgage on the house. I said I would go so far as to have an affair with his mother. Still, he didn't go for it. I'm not sure she would have gone for it."

"I'm sure that if I had said, 'John, come with me to San Jose,' he would have come, but that wouldn't have been fair to him."

"Still, there were nights after I'd had about three vodka martinis when I'd say to myself, 'Jack, old boy, you've got to be the dumbest SOB in this whole world. You had the best quarterback in America sitting across the breakfast table from you, and you let him get away.'"

And, of course, it was a few years later, after John, consensus All-America at Stanford, had traveled on to the Denver Broncos and the

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beer and peanut shells is no simple chore.

But those aren't the only problems associated with card stunts.

Sabotage used to be a favorite pastime. A few years ago, some Southern California fans sneaked into the corner of the UCLA card section and flashed their own cards spelling out U-S-C.

And then there's the classic story about the time Cal students, uh, re-arranged some cards in the UCLA section.

"All our stunts turned out upside down," Brisacher said. "They probably just reversed all the rows."

And you'd have to give a hooray for Hollywood for the stunt it pulled during the 1948 Michigan-USC Rose Bowl game. Two nights before the game, a movie studio doctored the Trojan cards so as to promote a newly released movie playing at a downtown L.A. theatre. The Trojan section flipped its cards, expecting to recreate a likeness of Michigan star Bob Chappuis. Instead, what appeared was a giant free advertisement: *See The Paradine Case*.

Hollywood, though, would be outdone by those masters of mischief at California School of Technology in Pasadena.

In the 1960 Rose Bowl game, the Washington card section spelled out CALTECH during a halftime routine. Ah, no, that wasn't in the program. The boys from Cal-Tech also managed to sneak in a full-blown pictorial tribute to their school mascot, the Beaver.

"We guard the cards very carefully now," Wondolowski says. "Since we've done it (sabotage) before, we know what's going on."

Great security measures have since been taken with card stunts, but the Cal-Tech pranksters did manage, at the 1984 Rose Bowl game, to rig the scoreboard to make a nation believe that Cal-Tech was in the midst of trouncing high-tech rival M.I.T., 38-9. For the record, it was UCLA over Illinois.

Cards have also been confiscated in pranks.

In 1964, two weeks before The Big Game between California and Stanford, Cal students raided the Stanford campus and stole the colored cards along with the school's 400-pound bronze bell.

Stanford, so the story goes, retaliated by stealing California's cards along with the Cal victory cannon. With seemingly nothing left to steal, the schools arranged a meeting to exchange the goods. A Cal student drove a pickup truck to the Stanford campus. The cards were in the back. Legend has it that he was ambushed by a group of Stanford students armed with tear gas.

But, as luck would have it, the Cal driver was wearing a gas mask and escaped by ramming a Stanford car.

What followed later were arrests.

Stanford no longer does card stunts. It seems there are some 17,000 still missing

from its deck. "Heaven knows what happened," Wondolowski says. "It wasn't us. That was years ago."

If a school does manage to get its cards safely to the stadium for a game, it must then deal with censorship.

The UCLA section once featured a stunt that depicted Southern California's mascot, Tommy Trojan, being smashed by a steamroller. As the Bruins found out, things like that tend to make administrators huffy.

Knowing that one swift budget cut can get rid of the card section in a minute, card shows of today usually carry a PG-13 rating.

"If we did something bad, it might be the end of card stunts at UCLA," Brisacher says.

But that doesn't mean card stunts can't be humorous.

Some favorites at California are: "I'm Gumby, Darn It," "Hi Mom, Send Money" and "Hi Alums, Send Money."

At California, card stunts are more than just a pastime. They are a tradition. History of the card section has even made its way into the athletic department's recruiting brochures.

According to *The Big Game*, John Sullivan's book on the California-Stanford football rivalry, the first card stunt was performed by Cal during halftime of the 1910 game.

That day, California boosters first formed an

image of the Stanford Ax, the trophy awarded to the game's winner. They also worked up a giant letter C, standing, of course, for California.

The idea for card stunts should be credited to the all-male California rooting section which, in the early 1900s, sat together in all-white, button-down shirts. With that as solid background, Cal rooters would arrange their reversible blue and white caps to form a huge letter C.

With that, the card stunt was born.

Production is much more elaborate today. Those at California and Stanford say it takes about 30 to 40 hours and as many as 50 volunteers during the week to ready a Saturday card show.

"A lot of it is many, many hours of mundane work," Wondolowski says.

Crews arrive on game day at 8:30 and begin the three-hour chore of filling seats with cards and instructions.

As to the question of who's the best, well that's open to debate.

"I couldn't claim ours is the best," Wondolowski says. "I've seen only two or three UCLA shows and I had poor angles. Last fall they did one of those 'Ode to Hollywood' themes. It was nice."

But one thing is clear. When it comes to experience in card stunts, nobody beats the show at Berkeley.

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Ken Donahue of Tennessee, Athlon's Assistant Coach of the Year, asks the utmost of defensive tackle Richard Cooper and even more of himself.

Assistant Coach of the Year Credit Where It's Due

by Ben Byrd

They call him a coach's coach. What is work to some and drudgery to others are life and breath to him. He's the first man in the office in the morning and the last to leave at night.

Ken Donahue of Tennessee has a simple reason for his dedication.

"It ain't much fun if you don't win," says *Athlon's* Assistant Coach of the Year. Donahue is the first recipient of an award to be made annually.

The man who stood at Bear Bryant's side during Alabama's glory years came back home to Tennessee last season and wrote an exciting new chapter in the story of his football life. Head Coach John Majors, his old friend, put him in charge of a defensive unit that was short on experience and size. But by the end of a triumphant 1985 season, Tennessee's defense was the talk of Southern football. It pitched three shutouts in the last five regular-season games and then throttled Miami and its great passer, Vinny Testaverde, in a 35-7 Sugar Bowl triumph.

Donahue, an old warrior come home, was the toast of Knoxville, as the Vols won their first Southeastern Conference championship since 1969. In characteristic low-key style, he down-

plays his own role in the Cinderella story of the Tennessee defense, which came to be known as "The Orange Crunch."

"They surprised me as much as they did everybody else," he insists. "We were a poor defensive team in the spring. Not mediocre—poor. But our players were eager to learn. I think they gained in confidence by playing so well for the first three quarters against Auburn. By the end of the season they were far better than I ever dreamed they would be. I've been around teams that had a lot more talent but none that improved as much in one season."

Football men say that Donahue is both a master tactician and a top-notch practice-field coach. He drives his men hard, but they know that he drives himself even harder. Defensive players ran up and down the stadium steps at Neyland Stadium after he took over. They didn't do it alone. Donahue was at the head of the pack, running harder than the rest.

"Ken Donahue is an inspiration to every assistant coach in the country for what he's done at Alabama and now at Tennessee," says former colleague Paul Davis, now at Temple. Davis is a much-decorated assistant who coached with Donahue at three schools and was his boss at Mississippi State in the

early 1960s. "He's the most dedicated coach I've ever known. He's the kind of coach that, when the game is over, sits in the plane and draws x's and o's on the trip back home."

Like other college assistants, Donahue is on the job seven days in an 80- to 100-hour (or more) work week during the season.

Donahue thanks his lucky stars for the rare good fortune of being exposed to the teachings of two of football's greatest coaches, Bryant and General Bob Neyland. He played under Neyland. He later served five years on the Tennessee staff after Neyland had retired to the athletic director's office and then spent 19 years under Bryant, most of them as assistant head coach and defensive coordinator.

"I learned my basics from Neyland," he says. "A lot of people these days don't realize how great a coach the general was. He probably did more with defense and the kicking game than any other coach. He was doing things 50 years ago that we're still using. We even line up in the old wide-tackle six sometimes, although most people don't notice it."

"I was honored to be associated with Coach Bryant. He was not an easy man to work for because he demanded so much of his players and his coaches. He wasn't a lot of fun to be

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around during those 6-5 seasons in '69 and '70. But he knew how to win. We had a great relationship. Several times he offered me a long-term contract, which was something special because assistant coaches usually just work year to year. But I never would sign. I told him, 'I don't need this; your word is good enough for me.' "

Speaking of Bryant not being a particularly pleasant fellow to work for during infrequent mediocre seasons, Donahue might have mentioned the 1969 Alabama-Tennessee game when the Vols won 41-14. According to Hunter Husband, tight end for the Crimson Tide that year, Bryant told Donahue three different times he was fired that day—during the game, at halftime and after it was over. Donahue knew his coach was merely expressing frustration.

But Donahue talks only about the happy times at Alabama. He won't particularize on the circumstances that prompted him to leave. Ray Perkins, Bryant's successor, offered to promote him to an administrative desk job, but that didn't interest him in the least.

"I came back to Tennessee because I wanted to keep coaching," Donahue says. "In fact, I had told Coach Majors a few years ago that someday I would like to return and help my alma mater if I could, but I didn't feel I could leave Alabama as long as Coach Bryant was there. I shared the same desk with Coach Majors for three years at Mississippi State, so it wasn't like going with somebody I didn't know anything about."

The young Ken Donahue was the next thing to a walk-on when he came to Tennessee as a freshman lineman in 1947 after two years of wartime service in the Army.

"Coach John Barnhill offered me a scholarship in my senior year in high school (Knoxville Central High) in 1944, but when I got back from the service, General Neyland had returned and Coach Barnhill had gone to Arkansas," Donahue recalls. "Harvey Robinson, my old high school coach, was on Neyland's staff by then, and he asked me to come on a one-quarter scholarship. What it amounted to was that I had to make it in spring practice or I was gone."

Donahue made it. He was a two-way tackle on a couple of Neyland's poorer teams, but by his senior season of 1950, the Vols were rolling again. That team went 10-1 in the regular season and beat Texas in the Cotton Bowl.

Coach Donahue has quite a number of reservations about player Donahue.

"I think I started 11 games in my four years, but I couldn't have played in today's game," he says. "I wasn't a big, strong tackle (212 pounds) and on top of that I was slow."

He left out "tough." Donahue was a tough player, and he carried that same quality into an assistant-coaching career that touched down at Memphis State, back at Tennessee, Mississippi State, Alabama for a long stay (21

years) and then back again to his alma mater.

His hard-nosed approach has perhaps obscured the fact that he has one of the foremost defensive minds in the game. His talents are far from restricted to whipping his players into top physical form and the proper frame of mind. He thrives on the thrust and parry of offense versus defense.

"I like every part of coaching," Donahue says. "I enjoy the work with the players on the practice field, and I enjoy calling the defensive sets on game day. It's like a big chess game, really. You have to stay one move ahead."

Although Donahue is firmly grounded in the fundamentals of the Neyland-Bryant school, he has never been content to stand pat with what worked in the past. He has not only kept abreast of the trends but also has had a hand in establishing those trends. Last season he changed Tennessee's rather predictable, bend-but-don't-break defensive strategy into a daring, venturesome approach. The unit that sacked Testaverde seven times in the Sugar Bowl game worked out of perhaps a dozen different sets, using a variety of blitzes, stunts and secondary coverages off basic defenses to keep the Hurricanes off-balance.

Donahue's strategy against Auburn's superstar runner was just as effective. Tennessee held Heisman Trophy winner Bo Jackson to 80 yards in 17 carries in a smashing 38-20 early-season upset.

"You can't just sit back in one defense on every play these days," Donahue says. "Offenses are so much harder to deal with, not only because of the great talent but also because of rule changes. Every change in recent years has favored the offense."

By now, Donahue is an institution among assistant coaches. But like every other assistant, he once had dreams of being the head man.

"There was a time when I thought I wanted to be a head coach, and to tell the truth, I've had some chances," Tennessee's defensive coordinator says. "A few, not a whole lot. That was when we were winning so big at Alabama. I decided that being assistant head coach and defensive coordinator there was better than the jobs I was offered."

"I'm not at all sorry about it. I have no regrets. What I enjoy is coaching, and the way things are now, head coaches have to spend a lot of their time doing something else—public relations and things like that. I'm not cut out for that kind of thing."

And so college football's widely known and respected Assistant Coach of the Year is apparently destined to spend the rest of his professional life in that same role. Nobody could be happier about that than Majors, who says that beyond acknowledged gifts as a defensive genius, Donahue has a quality of constancy that is rare.

Says Majors: "Win or lose, he's the same; he never changes."

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(Academy Football continued)

government waned and stagflation afflicted the economy, service-academy football fizzled.

"The number of applicants declined in the Vietnam years," says Col. Jack Woodruff, Army's assistant athletic director in charge of admissions. "Some high schools wouldn't even let us on campus. They were sending our mail back unopened."

Applications bottomed out at West Point near 8,000 in 1976 and at 7,068 at Air Force the same year.

"But patriotism has come back," says Woodruff. "The Vietnam stigma has faded away, and I think that President Reagan has done a lot of things for the military."

Not only are the academies getting more applicants, averaging between 12,000 and 13,000 per year, but the quality has also improved.

"We're getting more of the type we want," says Maj. Daniel Hancock of the Air Force Academy admissions office. "We're getting the ones with the high SAT scores—the ones we're looking for."

Patriotism has translated into increased military fervor among America's youth, and the resulting influx of strong young men has translated into football wins. For social scientists, service academy football has thus emerged as a barometer of American pride.

There are other reasons for the renaissance of service football. Navy's Coach Gary Tranquill pinpoints one.

"Other schools are limited to 30 football scholarships per year," he says. "But that doesn't affect us. We don't give any football scholarships. Everyone who comes to a service academy, whether he joins the glee club or the football team, comes on the same basis (a full-ride scholarship in exchange for a five- or six-year postgraduation commitment to the service). That means we aren't restricted by the 30 rule."

On the one hand, the long postgraduate commitment keeps away the very best young players. No teenager who fancies himself an eventual pro wants to wait until his late twenties to get his big chance.

On the other hand, freedom from the 30 rule means that academies can bring in as many reasonably good athletes as they can sell on the glories of military education.

"Other schools may be afraid to waste one of their grants on a kid they aren't sure about," says Tranquill. "But we can recruit anyone who fits the medical and academic requirements. Where somebody else might take only one guy, we can take two or three and hope to find one good enough to start."

According to Tranquill, economic realities in the nation are also a useful selling point. American education is grinding out graduates at a far greater rate than the economy is producing jobs for them to fill.

"If an athlete graduates from a civilian insti-

tution, and he isn't good enough to play pro football, he can have a hard time finding a decent job," Tranquill says. "But the athlete who comes to a service institution knows he is going to get a great education—and he also knows that when he graduates, he has a job and he is secure in terms of income. In today's world, a service education is a good situation."

Another reason for service-ball resurgence is a simple matter of offensive strategy. Two of the three teams are running the wishbone.

One year after turning to the wishbone in 1981, Air Force started on its bowl-game run.



Falcons won 1985 Commander in Chief's Trophy.

At Army, the turnaround was instantaneous, and the wishbone has produced two bowl wins in its two years of use. Only Navy has held on to the more traditional I-formation.

Although most good coaches can stop the wishbone if they see it often enough, this deceptive attack has at least two advantages for a service football team. In the first place, running the wishbone you don't have to block many people. If you don't have great blockers, this is a major advantage.

"Normally, you have to block the tackle to run anything at all," says Young, speaking of the defensive player who is usually the biggest and strongest man the opposition can find. "But we don't touch him. We option him with the fullback. To run this offense, you don't have to have great one-on-one blockers, and you don't have to blow people off the line."

In the second place, the wishbone places high priority on players who are disciplined and orderly—and you find them at service academies. Where most players may dislike running the same play on almost every down, those who attend the service academies are bred to a sterner ethic. They aren't accustomed to a life of diversion, and they don't

mind repetition to achieve simple perfection.

"It's a natural carryover from the military way of life," says Young. "With the wishbone you do the same thing over and over, and that fits well with the individual who is used to discipline in every aspect of his life."

The virtues of a military character, in fact, help academy football teams regardless of the particular tactics they use. Football is frequently likened to war, after all, and many of the qualities of good football players are qualities a military academy aims to instill. It's probably true that no undergraduate education in America is so demanding of a student's time and so uncompromising in its judgment of results.

"Our kids have good work habits, and they know how to put out," says Tranquill. "You don't have to keep after them to hustle and perform. They work hard all day every day, and they know what it takes to get a job done. In practice and in games, they hustle, fight and scrap from whistle to whistle; they give you all they've got."

Young mentions something else.

"I think coaching at a military academy is an ideal situation. You don't get as much of their time, because they are working so hard. But you are dealing with excellent individuals. You don't have to wonder if they're going to class. You yourself have to learn to be organized to be efficient with their time. That's what they expect."

Fisher DeBerry, head coach at Air Force, makes this point succinctly:

"We don't have the greatest athletes in the world; we've got the greatest kids."

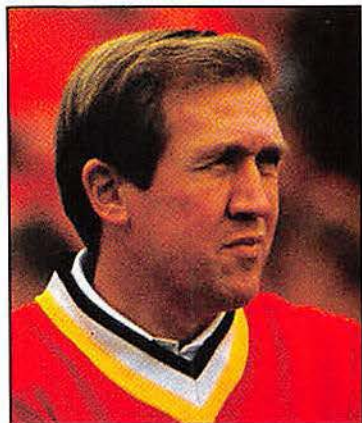
A shining example has been McCallum. An outstanding athlete, he earned the respect of Navy peers after his sophomore year at Annapolis. It was then that he realized he had pro football potential, and it was then that he had his last chance to leave the Naval Academy with no commitment to join the service.

McCallum considered his decision carefully. In the end, he put the virtues of an academy education—and his loyalty to those who had helped him—ahead of athletic self-interest. Injured early in his senior year, he came back for a "fifth" season in 1985. He could have won a Heisman for all his sacrifices—with a little bit of luck—but that final win over Army made it all seem just right.

As Army's wishbone rusted away on the bench, McCallum rolled up 217 yards in 41 carries off tackle and around end. In a performance somehow emblematic of the dedicated life of service that the military academies instill, he powered his team to victory though never himself scoring a point.

"Of all the games in the last five years, this is the greatest one for me," McCallum said after the game. "This is the one I'll remember. It's even better than what I thought it would be when I came back."

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More than ever, football has become a thinking man's game. Coaches study game films on a variety of video equipment, dissect the offenses and defenses and feed the information into a computer that spits out statistical tendencies. It's high-tech stuff.

Brute strength and quick feet still play a major role in winning and losing, but often it's the quick decision or smart call that changes the game. Push the right button at the right time, and it may not matter who's bigger, stronger or faster.

Air Force's Fisher DeBerry, selected Coach of the Year by five organizations last year, has been pushing the right buttons for two seasons. With his wishbone offense, he has led the Falcons to a 20-5 record.

The wishbone can often be predictable but it is never easy to stop. Four straight Air Force bowl opponents have learned that lesson the hard way. Last year only BYU could ground the 12-1 Falcons, who brought the academy its first-ever Western Athletic Conference championship.

Play 1: Air Force meets Notre Dame on a cold, windy afternoon in South Bend. The Irish lead 3-0 early in the first period, but the Falcons' wishbone has recorded three straight first downs without throwing a pass. It is third and five at the Notre Dame 42-yard line. The Falcons have the wind at their backs.

- (a) Quick-out pass to wide receiver.
- (b) Quarterback fakes handoff, passes short to halfback.
- (c) Fullback dive off tackle.

Play 2: Leading 7-6 with time running out in the first half, the Air Force secondary picks off a Notre Dame pass and returns it to the Irish 44. The clock shows 40 seconds left and the Falcons have two timeouts remaining. Notre Dame's defense is tipping an all-out blitz.

- (a) Halfback sweep to near side of field.
- (b) Fullback off tackle, call timeout.
- (c) Quick screen pass to halfback near sideline.

Play 3: A holding penalty on the first play of the second half gives the Falcons a first-and-20 situation

on their own 10. They lead 10-6 but have completed just two passes for 17 yards in the first half. The Irish defense shows what amounts to a nine-man front, daring Air Force to throw.

- (a) Play-action pass, looking to go deep.
- (b) Short pass to tight end curling over the middle.
- (c) Split receivers to show pass but give to fullback up the middle.

Play 4: Ten minutes remain in the game and Air Force now trails 13-10. The Falcons call a timeout to discuss fourth and two at Notre Dame's 26. The wind is against them.

- (a) Quarterback fakes handoff and pitches or keeps around end.
- (b) Halfback follows fullback off tackle.
- (c) Attempt 43-yard field goal to tie the score.

Play 5: The score is still 13-10, Notre Dame. Air Force has driven 78 yards in 12 plays to reach the 2-yard line. It is third down, but only five seconds are left in the game—enough for one play.

- (a) Kick game-tying field goal.
- (b) Quarterback rollout with option to run or pass.
- (c) Quick pitch to halfback.

The Maryland Terrapins, 34-14 in four years under Bobby Ross, are getting to be monotonous, but their fans love it. Four straight 8-3 regular seasons, four straight bowl appearances, three straight Atlantic Coast Conference championships.

It's the kind of monotony—some call it consistency—you can live with, especially when the Terps are so explosive and versatile on the field. No need to search past a 1984 victory over Miami for evidence of that. The Terps trailed 31-0 at halftime but rallied for a 42-40 win, called the greatest comeback in Division I-A history.

Play 1: Maryland and Penn State are scoreless late in the first period. The Terps have been productive with a mixture of passing and running plays, but turnovers and penalties have stalled two drives in

Penn State territory. Now, the Terps are faced with third and three at the Nittany Lion 30.

- (a) Quick screen to wide receiver.
- (b) Tailback sprint-draw off tackle.
- (c) Sprint-out pass, looking for tight end on out-pattern.

Play 2: Twenty-five seconds remain in the first half. Penn State leads 7-0, but the Terps have just recovered a fumble at midfield. It is first and 10 and Maryland has one timeout.

- (a) Sideline pass to wide receiver to stop clock.
- (b) Show rollout pass but give to wide receiver on reverse.
- (c) Dropback pass, looking for tight end down the middle.

Play 3: Trailing 7-3 at the start of the second half, Maryland receives the kickoff. The return man slips and falls deep in his own territory. Two running plays make the situation third and nine at the 8-yard line.

- (a) Fullback draw into the middle.
- (b) Fake dive and pitch to halfback going out-side.
- (c) Screen pass to halfback.

Play 4: The Terps finally eliminate their mistakes and get into the end zone. They lead 17-7 with four minutes left in the third period. The starting quarterback, however, has just been sacked and limps off the field. His replacement is an excellent runner but a mediocre passer. It is third and eight at the Maryland 42.

- (a) Misdirection right, tailback runs left.
- (b) Play-action pass to tight end on 15-yard curl.
- (c) Fullback off tackle.

Play 5: A Nittany Lion touchdown and two-point conversion make the score 17-15, Maryland. The Terps march back but face a fourth-and-two dilemma at the Penn State 33. Three minutes remain in the game.

- (a) Fullback blast over the middle.
- (b) Field-goal attempt.
- (c) Tailback sweep around end.

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← Oklahoma's Jamelle Holieway feels that Davis (32) has caught on to wishbone trickery.

(All-Star Prospect continued)

and I didn't want to go back on it. I still felt that coming to Nebraska was in my best interest."

Davis arrived in the fall with his needed credits, ready to prove he had made the right decision. Each year, prior to the beginning of practice, Nebraska sends its freshmen through a series of strength and conditioning tests. Davis sparkled like the earring he sometimes wears.

He ran a 4.49 40, the eighth-fastest time in the school's football history, and his vertical jump measured 38 inches, a record for Nebraska players. He had the day's best toss in the seated shot put, which is a measure of upper-body explosiveness. His agility run was the third best. He finished first in the athletic index, a combination of all test scores.

It was different when Davis put on his uniform. "When I came to Nebraska, I didn't think I would have any trouble picking things up," he says, "but I hadn't really played much football, and it didn't happen."

His period of adjustment lasted through the four-game non-conference schedule. He played sparingly, watching and learning.

Davis' first opportunity came against Oklahoma State in the Cornhuskers' Big Eight opener.

"When I went in, I was running around, making sure I got the check call from the safety, and thinking, 'I can't blow a coverage,'" he remembers. "I felt tired after three plays. It's scary, your first experience in a big game at the major-college level. You're worried about doing something wrong that'll hurt your team. But after a while, you get the checks, you understand the coverages and you settle down."

In junior college, Davis relied on speed to cover pass receivers man-to-man. "It was bump-and-run and stay with your man on every play," he says. Nebraska, however, uses a more complex system, mixing zone and man-to-man defenses to confuse the offense. For a time, the coverages confused Davis as well.

Thornton says, "Brian's knowledge of defense was shaky because of inexperience, and we thought maybe the best thing for him would be redshirting." One big reason Davis was not asked to sit out the season was that, if he had, he would have been 24 by the time he started his senior year.

By the Oklahoma State game, Thornton was beginning to wonder if he'd made the right decision. Doubts disappeared in a hurry. Davis was credited with four tackles and almost had a second interception early in the fourth quarter. It was nullified when he was ruled out of bounds.

"He did some great things, athletically, in that game," Thornton says, "but he's still learning." Learning so fast that this former 132-pound high school wrestler looks like a viable candidate for All-Big Eight, maybe even higher honors, as a college senior.

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Any face-off with junior college transfer → Davis is likely to come off well for him.





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BIG EIGHT BLUE CHIPPERS



by Kent Heitholt

Big Eight recruiters may need road maps to find their way to places like Idabel, Okla., or Ankeny, Iowa, but they'll have no trouble finding their way to Omaha. And that's where the Big Eight's Elite Eleven starts.

As many as 16 high schoolers, called the finest Cornhusker state harvest in 15 years, are projected as major college performers, and most hail from Nebraska's largest city: Omaha. And why not? There's quite a tradition to follow. Players like Gale Sayers, Johnny Rodgers, Dave Rimington and Larry Station are some of the former Omaha high school stars who went on to football greatness.

The hottest in the hotbed is running back Leodis Flowers (6-0, 189) of Omaha Central, Sayers' alma mater. Flowers gained 1,765 yards in his junior season (196.1 per game) and broke the 100-yard mark in every game. He scored 140 points, including a six-touchdown, 40-point outburst against Council Bluffs (Iowa) Jefferson High. Not surprisingly, Flowers has been compared favorably to Omaha Central's most famous alumnus, NFL Hall of Famer Sayers.

Omaha Creighton Prep Coach Tom Jaworski, whose unbeaten (12-0) Nebraska state championship team crunched Central 49-8, isn't so sure about that comparison, but he says Flowers is without a doubt the cream of

the Midwest crop. Jaworski's team may have shut down Flowers' scoring effort—he scored just once—but he still gained 102 of his team's 140 yards.

"It's a natural comparison because they went to the same school, but how do you compare someone to Gale Sayers?" Jaworski says. "There's no question a lot of colleges would love to have him, though."

Jaworski, who has built a state power in 14 years at Creighton Prep (three state titles in the last six years), knows about Sayers personally. He played against him in his senior year at Creighton Prep.

"Would you believe we played to a 0-0 tie?" Jaworski asks. "Gale Sayers was on the field and still no one scored. What I remember best is that he played middle linebacker and was

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Big Eight Elite High School Eleven

Top prospects in the six-state conference area:

Leodis Flowers, RB, 6-0, 189, Omaha (Neb.) Central
Scott Lockwood, RB, 6-1, 200, Boulder (Colo.) Fairview
Norm Ballantine, OT/DE, 6-6, 270, St. Louis (Mo.) Hazelwood East
Tim Ryan, LB, 6-3, 235, Kansas City (Mo.) Rockhurst
Mike Gaddis, RB, 6-2, 195, Midwest City (Okla.) Carl Albert
Glen Bell, RB, 5-11, 175, Muskogee, Okla.
George Achola, FB, 5-11, 190, Omaha (Neb.) Creighton Prep
Bobby Raynor, LB, 6-0, 210, Idabel, Okla.
Paul Weltha, OT, 6-3, 235, Ames, Iowa
Wolf Blaser, TE/DE, 6-5, 230, Topeka (Kan.) West
Dan Lohmeier, TE/DE, 6-5, 215, Omaha (Neb.) Creighton Prep

Thurman Thomas Runs Where They Ain't

by Jim Weeks

Contacts can be vital in some businesses.

But to Thurman Thomas, avoiding contact is the most important factor in his success.

The Oklahoma State tailback exercised that faculty often last season, often enough to be ranked fourth in the nation in rushing and to be named on the United Press International All-America team.

The junior from Texas aspires to an even

better season, and his team hopes to contend for the Big Eight Conference championship and a third straight bowl game.

"I don't like to make that much contact," Thomas says, "so I try to run where nobody is in my way."

Thomas has impressed some of the nation's top coaches, including Barry Switzer of Oklahoma, Oklahoma State's archrival, and has even been compared to Chicago Bears' Walter Payton.

"Walter's my hero," Thomas says, "so when I read that, I took it as a challenge to improve myself."

"For someone as heavily recruited and as talented, Thurman is remarkably unselfish," says Oklahoma State Coach Pat Jones. "Everybody likes him."

Thomas rushed for 1,553 yards in 1985. He averaged 141.2 yards per game, 5.2 yards per carry and scored 15 touchdowns rushing. He also passed for a touchdown and scored once on a punt return.

"He's probably the best back in the Big Eight," Switzer says. "He's a better open field runner than (Nebraska's Doug) DuBose. He never makes a wrong cut."

"If Oklahoma State didn't have Thomas, they would have lost at least a couple of other football games. He's that important to their offense."

Switzer and his Sooners may have gotten a look at Thomas at his best.

Oklahoma defeated Oklahoma State 13-0, but Thomas became the only back to rush for 100 yards against the top-ranked Sooner defense last year.

In fact, he gained exactly 100 yards in 23 carries on an ice-covered field.

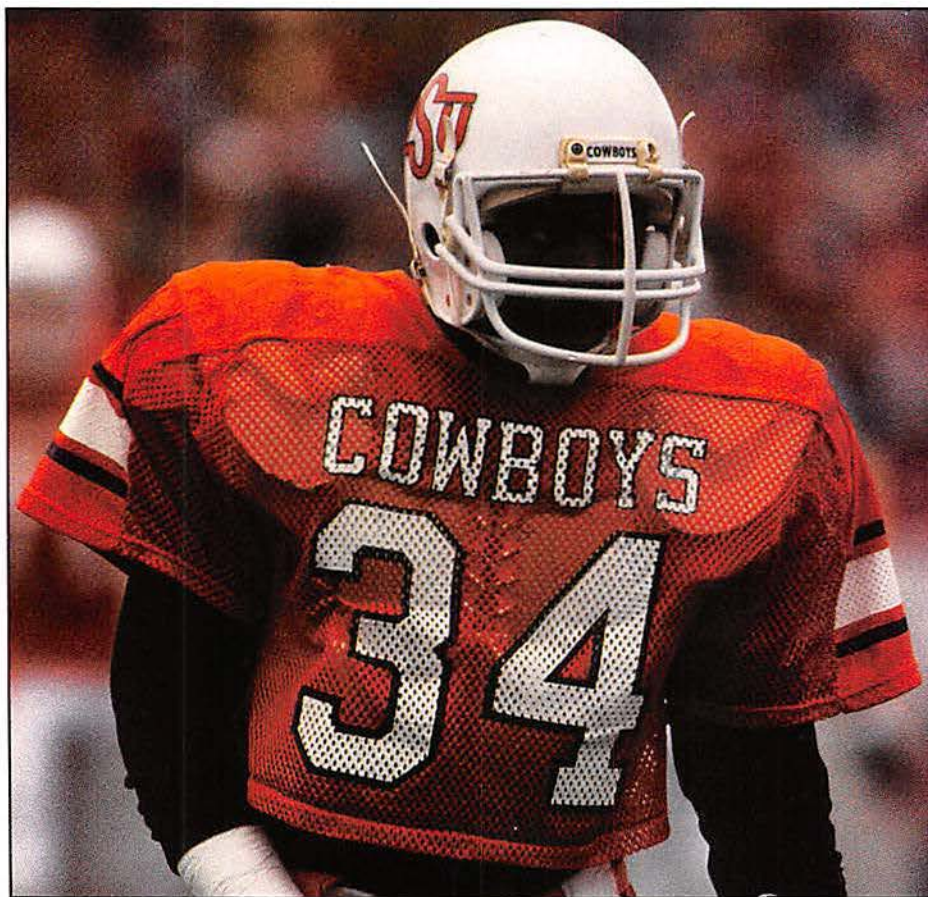
"I wasn't bothered by the conditions that much," Thomas says. "I was playing against the No. 1 defense in the country. That excited me. I took my time starting out when I carried the ball. I didn't get in a hurry and that gave me better footing. I've been asked if I had special shoes, since everybody else was slipping on the ice. But I just had my regular shoes."

Thomas is attempting to become a better all-around back. That's one reason he does not like to be held out of practice sessions, especially in the spring, when stars and established players are sometimes excused.

"I need the work then to stay tuned up," he says. "I need it to keep my timing. Also, I'm working to improve my blocking. On most of our pass plays, my responsibility is to head off blitzing linebackers."

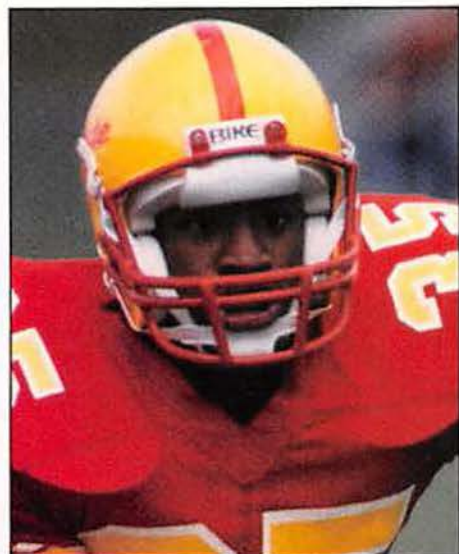
Thomas carried the ball 302 times as a sophomore. That represented 62 percent of

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Since Walter Payton is his hero, naturally Thomas wears his number.





Senior defensive backs Milton Pitts (left) and Terrence Anthony (above) return punts, too.

(Iowa State continued)

Pitts to strong safety to plug the gap left by Mayze. If so, Clark Watson, an All-Southern California (JC) Conference star at L.A. Valley, will try to move in.

Strong safety—In addition to the Pitts possibility, senior Keven Colon has some experience.

Free safety—The top two from last year, senior Brian Reffner, a sometime punter, and sophomore Jeff Dole, return. However, the coaches are high on John Dozier, an All-North Central Community College speedster at Triton, Ill. He recorded 80 tackles and eight interceptions, returning one theft for a touchdown.

Obviously, junior college players figure importantly in Iowa State's hopes to finish above .500 and possibly claim a bowl berth.

"We took 11 junior college transfers this time because we had some definite spots for them to fill," Criner explains. "After this season, however, we hope to have established our program to the point where we will fill our ranks mostly with freshmen."

The college rule change on kickoffs also had an impact on the Cyclone recruiting.

"When the rules committee changed things so we now kick off from the 35 instead of the 40, we knew there would be a much better chance for long returns," Criner says. "So we purposefully sought the best kick returner we could find. We signed Michael Brown of Princeton High School in Cincinnati. He was a fine ball carrier (averaging 8.5 yards per carry, gaining 1,770 yards and scoring 22 touchdowns) and pass receiver, but we hope he can give us breakaway speed as a kickoff and punt returner. He runs 100 meters in 10.6."

Some Cyclone fans say Criner's feet may be in the fire if he doesn't produce a winning team, but he seems comfortable going into the fourth year of his five-year contract. The Cyclones finished 4-7 in 1983, 2-7-2 in 1984 and 5-6 last year. This 11-20-2 mark adds to his 59-21-1 in seven seasons at Boise State for an excellent 70-41-3.

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Cleaning Up A Great Game

by Steve Wieberg

The analogy was humorous. The message was not.

"Recruiting violations," Grant Teaff was saying, "are sort of like getting fat and then trying to lose weight. You don't get fat overnight and you don't lose weight overnight. College athletics, over 40 or 50 years, or however far back you want to go, has contributed a pound or two each year.

"At the moment," Baylor's football coach admits, "we're very much overweight."

Very, very much overweight. These are not the best of times for big-time college athletics—not for Teaff's sport, in particular. If it isn't a \$100 handshake here, it's a drug charge or a shady auto deal there. No fewer than three of the nation's top programs—Florida, Southern Methodist and Southern California—are on probation as the 1986 season begins, and Georgia and Illinois are just coming off. Good Lord, they even dragged TCU's rulebook-thumping Jim Wacker through the dirt.

In the past year and a half or so alone:

- Florida was found guilty of 59 rules violations and handed an unprecedented probationary sentence by the NCAA. The Gators were locked out of bowl games for two years, barred from television appearances for two years, forced to forfeit 20 scholarships and ultimately stripped of the Southeastern Conference title they won in 1984.

- Vanderbilt found itself in the middle of a steroids scandal, strength coach E. J. "Doc" Kreis and a Nashville pharmacist eventually pleading guilty to charges of distributing the illegal muscle-builders. Thirty-four Vanderbilt athletes, most of them football players, were implicated in the case.

- The NCAA slapped SMU even harder than Florida, doling out the usual bowl and TV restrictions and stripping the Mustangs of 45 scholarships over two seasons for a variety of recruiting violations. One recruit, since-transferred tackle Sean Stopperich, said he received \$11,000 after being offered \$300 a month, a rent-free Dallas apartment for his family, a job

for his unemployed father and a trust fund in exchange for his signature on a letter of intent.

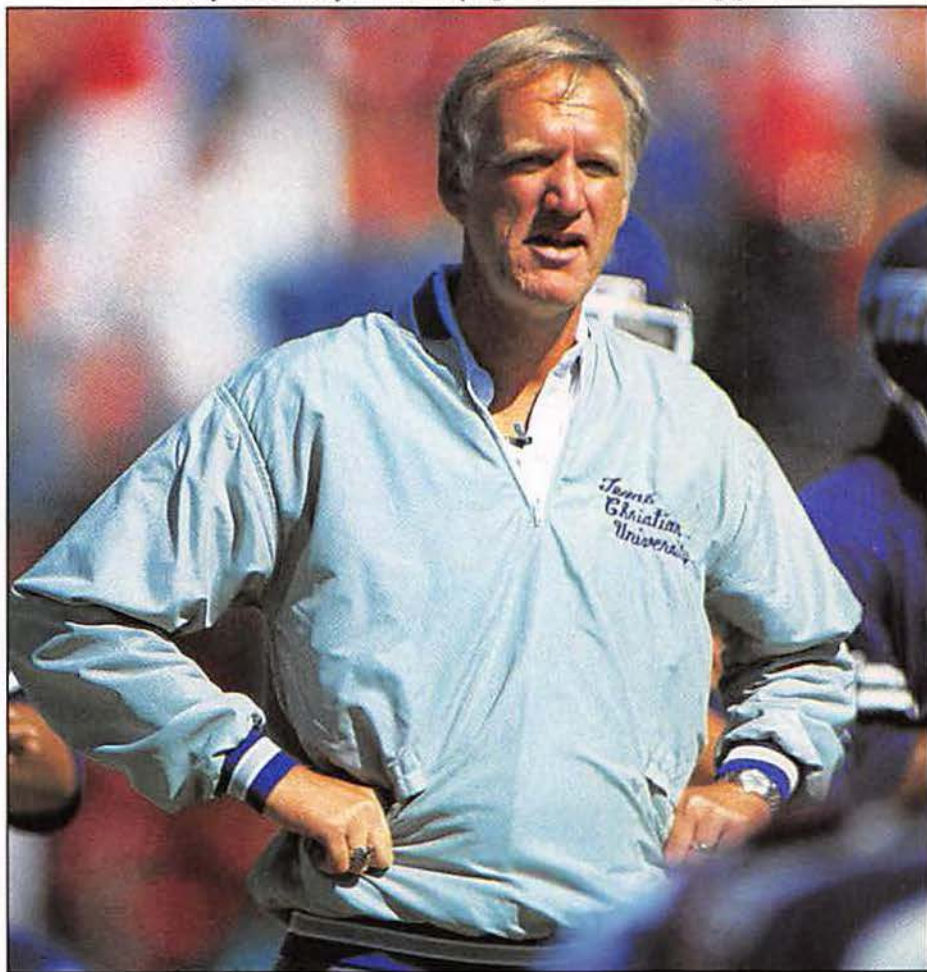
- Wacker suspended seven of his TCU players, including All-America running back Kenneth Davis, after they admitted accepting cash payments from boosters. Davis said he

got about \$18,000 of a \$38,000 "contract" he signed to attend the school.

- Injured Tennessee quarterback Tony Robinson, a Heisman Trophy candidate at one point last season, was arrested and charged with cocaine trafficking only a week after the

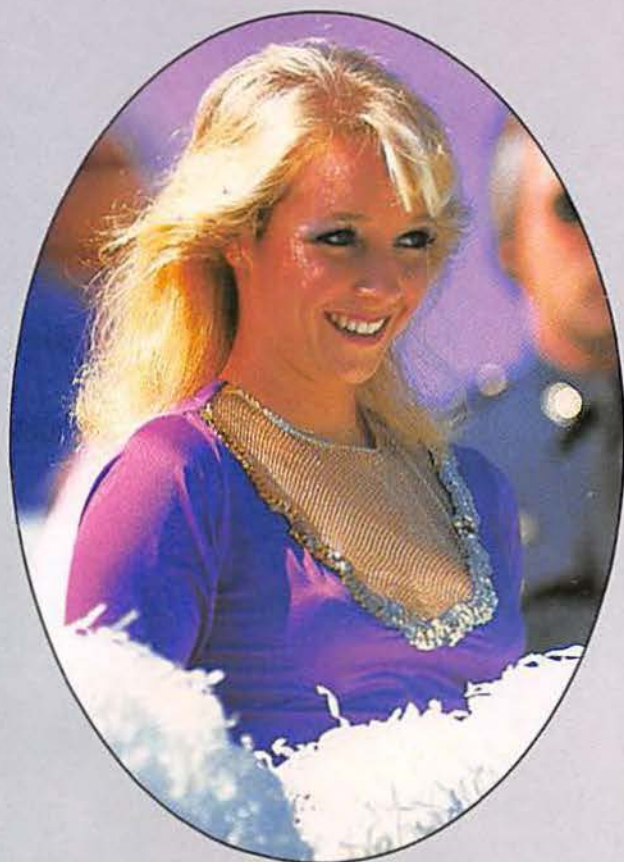
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Jim Wacker of TCU stands for an honest program, and he sees a change for the better.





Honey Watching On a Saturday Afternoon



The 1985 season provided college football fans with plenty of excitement, closely contested conference races, keen rivalries and thrilling bowl games. And, as always, *Athlon* found vivacity, beauty and glamour on the sidelines, showcased here in our salute to college cheerleaders and majorettes.

Auburn majorette Nancy Stewart (opposite page) looks back with pride on the Tigers' eight victories. She's a junior majoring in public relations. Comely Cari Lethcoe (top left) inspires followers of Texas Christian. The junior from Bedford, Texas, is a speech communications major and a recruiting hostess for the football team. Oklahoma's Michelle Williams (top right) cheered the Sooners on to the national championship. She looks forward to another this year. Tricia Pillsbury (left), a member of Southern California's Song Girls, dreams of the Trojans finding their place in the sun again.

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Honey Watching

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Stanford's Arijia Bareikis (left) embodies the Cardinal Virtues: beauty, poise and talent. Scintillating Jan Scott (below) looks for Tiger tracks leading to a bowl win for Clemson. The sun shines bright on Kentucky's Lori Duley (bottom left), a three-year veteran of the Wildcats' cheering squad. She majors in early childhood education and looks forward to teaching first grade.

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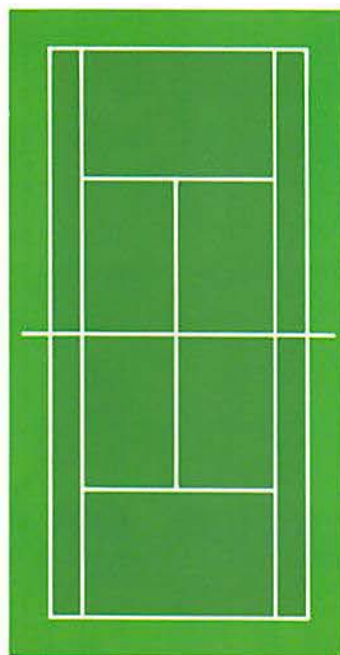
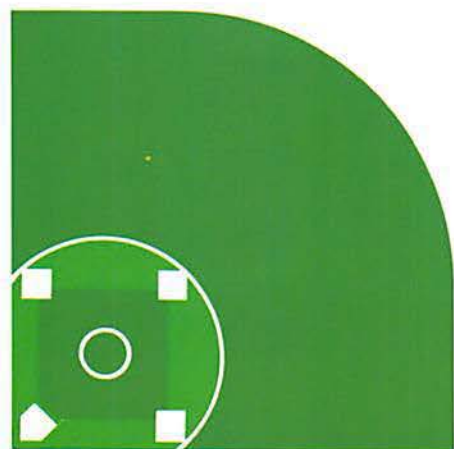
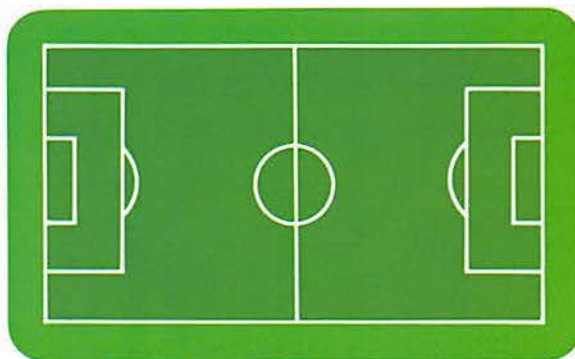
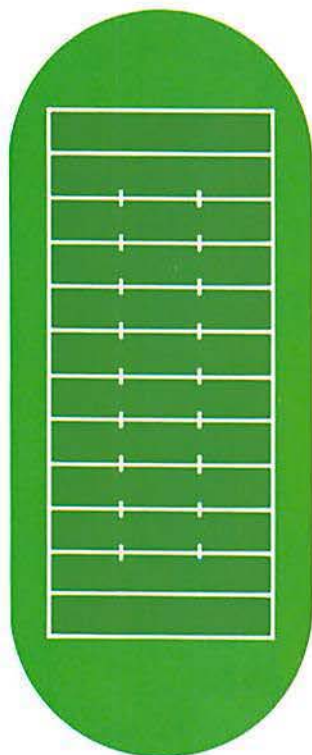
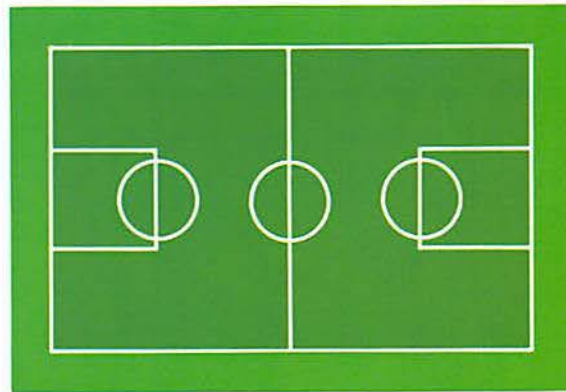
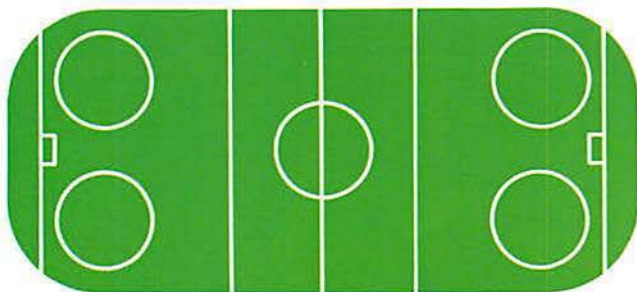
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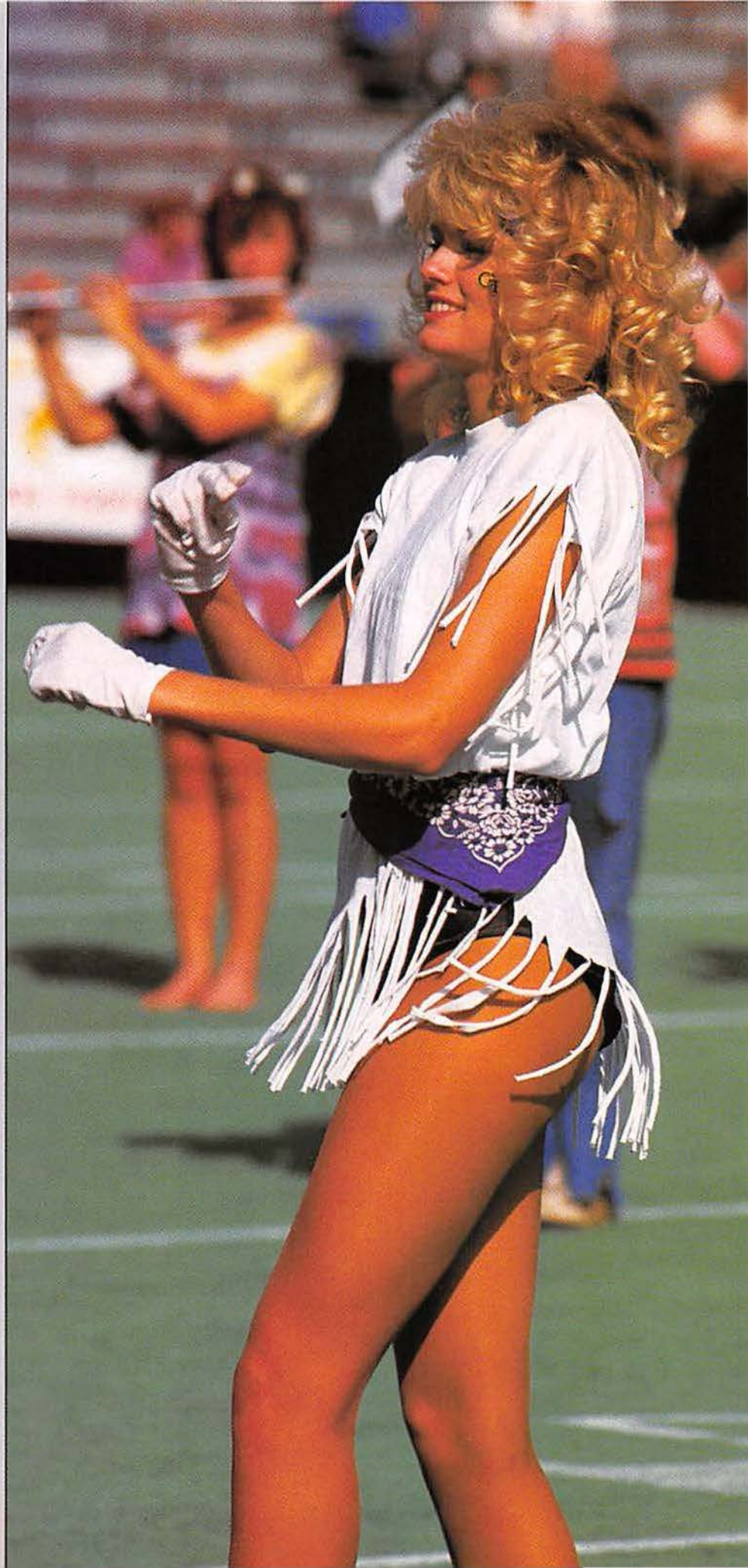
When it's time to stop playing the field. Jim Beam.

Honey Watching

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Georgia Tech cheerleader and Wreckette Laura Hanke (right) is a dean's list student majoring in management. She's sure the Rambling Wreck can manage another bowl win in '86. Kimberly Fornera (below) performs with the famed Marching Illini band as an Illinette. She majors in community health education and plans to work in corporate health promotion. In the meantime, Kimberly's promoting the possibility of another bowl appearance for Illinois.

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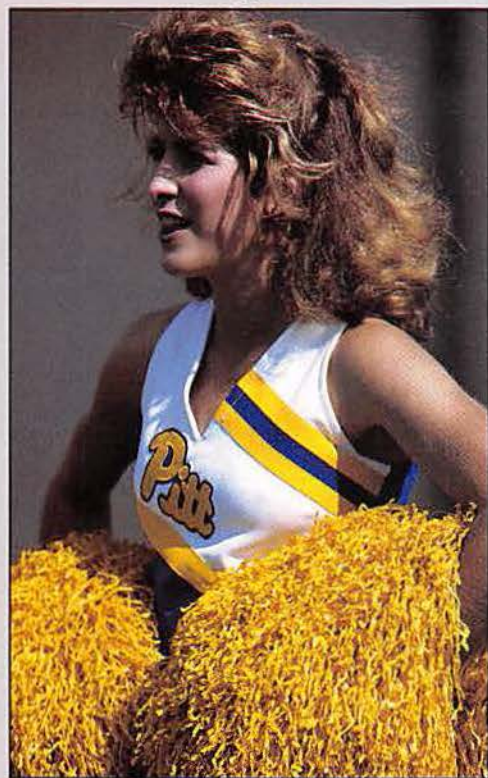


Honey Watching

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Christy Fichtner (left), Miss Texas USA, surveys her realm as queen of the Bluebonnet Bowl game. She's a Dallas native who models professionally and works with hospitalized children in her spare time. Natalie Ciferno (below) looks to a brighter future for the Pittsburgh Panthers under new Coach Mike Gottfried.

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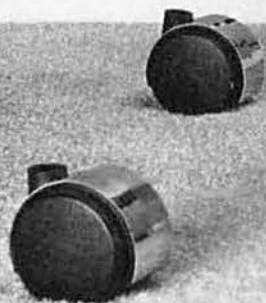
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SOMEBODY'S GOT TO BE FIRST.**

If he'd been asked two years ago, quarterback Brian McDonald of Wichita State might have said that he wasn't long for this earth.

It was a transitional season; Coach Willie Jeffries had packed his bags and gone to coach at Howard University in Washington, D.C.; and his replacement, Ron Chismar, was still learning his players' names while beginning a 2-9 record.

And poor McDonald, a sturdily built St. Louis native, was stuck in the middle. Recruited by Jeffries to engineer a dive-option offense that featured the run, McDonald found himself in Chismar's pro-style game. "It was a nightmare," says McDonald, "but I knew that things could only get better. It seemed like I was picking myself up off the ground most of the time."

"It could have been a bad situation but it wasn't. I remember what he said when he introduced himself at our first team meeting. He told me I was his quarterback."

"His big problem that year," Chismar says, "was throwing off his back." But Chismar stuck with McDonald.

"Coach Chismar took me under his wing," says McDonald. "It could have been a bad situation but it wasn't. I remember what he said when he introduced himself at our first team meeting. He told me I was his quarterback. He was patient. If I had questions, he had answers."

"We put a lot on Brian's shoulders that first year, and he got totally destroyed," Chismar says. "He has not had the success that he would have liked, but he was asked to learn a totally different style. He adapted faster than anyone I've ever coached. He's extremely bright."

McDonald proved that in 1983, his freshman season, starting the final three games after Tyrone Mitchell was injured. He passed for seven touchdowns in that span. He completed 11 of 19 passes for 214 yards against New Mexico State. He passed for a touchdown and ran for another in a 28-6 win over NCAA Division I-AA champion Southern Illinois.

"I like passing better than running," says McDonald. "You stay healthier that way. It's no fun getting hit by big guys."

While McDonald took his licks, he also set himself up for a banner season as a senior in 1986. He has started in 25 successive games. He passed for 1,497 yards last fall, the fourth-best season total in Wichita State history. His nine touchdown passes ties him for sixth place in the school's season records. McDonald, often facing much taller linemen, completed 129 of 270 passes.

"There's no question that the quarterback is the catalyst," says Chismar. "He touches the ball on every play."

After compiling a 3-8 mark in 1985, following 2-9 in '84, Chismar's hopes for success are pinned on McDonald, a better defense, 18 incoming junior college transfers and a burning desire to improve.

Six offensive starters, all seniors, return. They include halfback Valasco Smith, who rushed for a team-high 757 yards, eighth best for one season at Wichita State. "He's explosive," says Chismar, "and he wants the ball."

Flanker Broc Fewin and tight end Jack Owens (6-4, 225) also return, helped by Scott Ledy (6-4, 250) at guard and John Pratte (6-5, 250) at tackle.

McDonald's passing marks could be higher with the signing of wide receivers Dan Russell, a JC All-American from Simi, Calif., who had 24 touchdowns and 100 catches in two years, and Terry Franklin of Indianapolis, Ind., who runs a 10.2 100. Chismar's prize catch from the Kansas prep ranks may have been Steve Ginavan, all-state wide receiver from Emporia.

Offensive help also could come from David Smith, a running back from Dallas, and linemen David Panter (6-3, 247) from Northeastern Oklahoma A&M and Roger Foltz (6-5, 242) of Princeton, Kan.

But if Wichita State is to win, the defense must improve. In '85 it yielded 440 yards

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Valasco Smith runs best when free from any restraint.

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per game, last in the conference. Seven starters return, including Kirk Allen (6-0, 205), a junior linebacker who led the squad in tackles with 133; sophomore linebackers Derrick Westfield (6-1, 215) and Kurt Wiedenkiller (6-0, 220); and junior Mark Duckens (6-4, 265) and senior Mitchell Morris (6-4, 252) at tackle.

Defensive back Randall Cooper and free safety Chris Badciong, both juniors, return to the secondary. JC All-America Jim Brady of Phoenix, Ariz., could be an important addition.

Football has been dropped as a Missouri Valley Conference sport. How will the Shockers react to being independent? "There's a lot of incentive in being in a conference," says Chismar. "People enjoy the competition."

While most schools have their schedules set years ahead, Wichita State has had to scramble for opponents. The schedule this fall

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includes Iowa State, Florida State and Arizona State.

"You know who you'd like to play, and this isn't exactly what I had in mind," says Chismar. "I don't like Florida State in the middle of our

schedule . . . but then, I wouldn't like 'em any place."

Other opponents include Tulane, Cincinnati, Tulsa, Illinois State, Central Florida, Morehead State, Toledo and San Francisco State.

Chismar thinks he has the ingredients to turn the corner. He knows it'll take more than two or three wins to make fans forget the previous two seasons.

"It's easy to lose kids' attention when you start losing," says Chismar, who saw his '85 team drop five straight games after a season-opening victory over archrival Kansas State. "But once you start to win, the taste is unbelievable. We've fought and scrapped to get our wins. We just have to work ourselves out of this hole."

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so quick he just completely took us out of our offense by himself."

Flowers, however, won't be playing much defense, but who wants him to? As one Big Eight recruiter said, "We've heard about Flowers for two years. We've just been waiting for him to become a senior."

Jaworski's team won't be without attention, either. Two all-stars return and both are on the Big Eight Elite High School Eleven. Fullback George Achola (5-11, 190) and tight end/defensive end Dan Lohmeier (6-5, 215) will sign major college grants next February.

Achola, a 4.5 sprinter, rushed for more than 1,300 yards in 12 games last year as he carried the bulk of Creighton Prep's rushing attack. Lohmeier's statistics were not impressive after missing most of the final three games because of mononucleosis.

"He probably had it most of the year, but he still was better than most players," Jaworski says of the tight end prospect. "He's got great hands and can do about anything."

Running backs and linemen make up the bulk of the Elite Eleven from the six Big Eight states.

Fairview High running back Scott Lockwood (6-1, 200) of Boulder, Colo., is another can't-miss prospect. The versatile Lockwood rushed for 1,967 yards and scored 19 touchdowns. That wasn't all. He also played linebacker, occasionally stepped in at tight end and punted. His coach, Tony Severino, wasn't averse to letting him throw a few option passes, either.

If the paths to Omaha and Boulder get too crowded, Big Eight recruiters need only turn south and head to Oklahoma, where the usual fine harvest of recruits awaits not only in the populated areas but also those that are hidden on the map.

Idabel High, a school of 450 students in the southeast part of the state, will receive heavy traffic because of linebacker Bobby Raynor (6-0, 210). He's a hard-hitting player who is considered the state's top prospect by some. He has started two years for Coach Fred Willis.

"What catches your eye is the way he hits and the way he wants to hit," Willis says. "You can teach a player to form-tackle, but the ability to hit is innate. And Bobby is a stroker."

Two other all-star running backs hail from the Sooner state: Midwest City Carl Albert High's Mike Gaddis (6-2, 195) and Muskogee's Glen Bell (5-11, 175).

Gaddis gained 1,034 yards (8.3 average) in his junior year despite missing three games with an ankle injury and sharing duties with senior teammate Kenneth Lee (a 1,200-yard rusher who signed with Tulsa).

"Mike's the most graceful open-field runner I've seen," Albert Coach Al Miller says. "He probably runs a 4.5 40 but I don't really want to know. He just glides by people."

Miller says Gaddis, who was the top hurdler in the state, will probably carry the ball 30

times a game and gain 2,000 yards if he stays healthy.

Bell almost broke the 2,000-yard barrier as a junior. His 1,982 yards were the talk of the state. He led his Muskogee team into the state quarterfinals.

All-America running back Tony VanZant of Florissant (Mo.) Hazelwood Central has finally stepped up to the collegiate level, but Missouri still has prospects to show Big Eight coaches.

Hazelwood East of St. Louis has its second Elite Eleven member in two seasons. Tackle/defensive end Norm Ballantine (6-6, 270) is one of the top line prospects in the nation. He follows the path of former teammate Mark Keough, a high school All-American, who

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signed with Missouri.

Kansas City (Mo.) Rockhurst boasts another all-star in linebacker Tim Ryan (6-3, 235). "We've watched films of him, and it didn't take long to realize he's going to help some team," says one Big Eight recruiter.

In Iowa, lineman Paul Weltha (6-3, 235) of Ames High is causing a stir. Not only is he a football star, but he also won the state heavy-weight wrestling championship, no small feat in the Hawkeye state.

"That's saying something when you win the wrestling championship in Iowa," says Ames Coach Kirk Daddow. "But Paul is a football player. A recruiter from the Big Ten told me he was one of the two best athletes in the state."

"Give me five Paul Welthas and we'll talk championship," says rival Coach Lee Crawford of West Des Moines Valley High.

"Give me five of him and people would know who I am," says Daddow, a head coach for 18 years.

The two new coaches who took over at Kansas and Kansas State, Bob Valesente and Stan Parrish, wasted no time wearing out the turnpikes around the state. The winner in the battle for tight end/defensive end Wolf Blaser (6-5, 230) of Topeka West will certainly be pleased. Blaser didn't catch many passes (just nine) in Coach Frank Walton's (brother of New York Jets Coach Joe) offense but still received much recognition.

"The attractive thing about him is that he's still growing and has a huge frame," says one recruiter. "Who knows how big he'll be?"

The list doesn't stop with the Elite 11. The fact is, it just starts. A bevy of talented seniors

awaits college assistants stomping through the Midwest this fall.

One prize catch could be Fallon Wacasey (6-3, 225) of tiny Kansas, Okla. Wacasey is a superb tight end who was all-state in basketball. He will most likely wait until spring before deciding which sport he will play. Wacasey's teammate, Darrell Wiggins (6-2, 197), is a highly touted running back who will receive scholarship offers.

Besides Raynor, Idabel will also showcase the talents of lineman Marcus Wharry (6-0, 235). Oklahoma has lots of prospects. Atoka has linebacker Joe Don McAdams (6-0, 200), son of former New York Jets linebacker Carl McAdams. Other top recruits will be speedy running back/defensive back Pinky Hurley (5-9, 165) of Fox, quarterback/defensive back Chris Melson (5-11, 178) of Ada, tailback Tony Brooks (6-0, 210) of Tulsa Washington and lineman Brandt Lane (6-3, 235) of Tulsa Union.

Kansas City will attract many recruiters, especially on the Missouri side. Grandview High has top-notch prospects in running back Jarrod Watkins (5-11, 175), who rushed for 1,476 yards as a junior, and linebacker Jason Lancaster (6-2, 210), the team's leading tackler with 109 stops. Lees Summit, Mo., lineman John Lindmark (6-4, 250) will also be a hot item.

Across the state line, Olathe (Kan.) South's Russ McCullough (6-8, 265) may be one of the most coveted linemen in the Midwest when signing day rolls around. Lawrence's defensive end/quarterback Lance Flachsbarth (6-4, 210), son of a former Kansas quarterback, is also much sought after.

In Manhattan, a trio of prospects will be scouted. Receiver Gar Ball (5-10, 180), who caught 38 passes last season, quarterback Matt Veatch (6-4, 200) and strong safety Ken Benson (6-1, 200), who bench-presses 300 pounds, are on most recruiting lists.

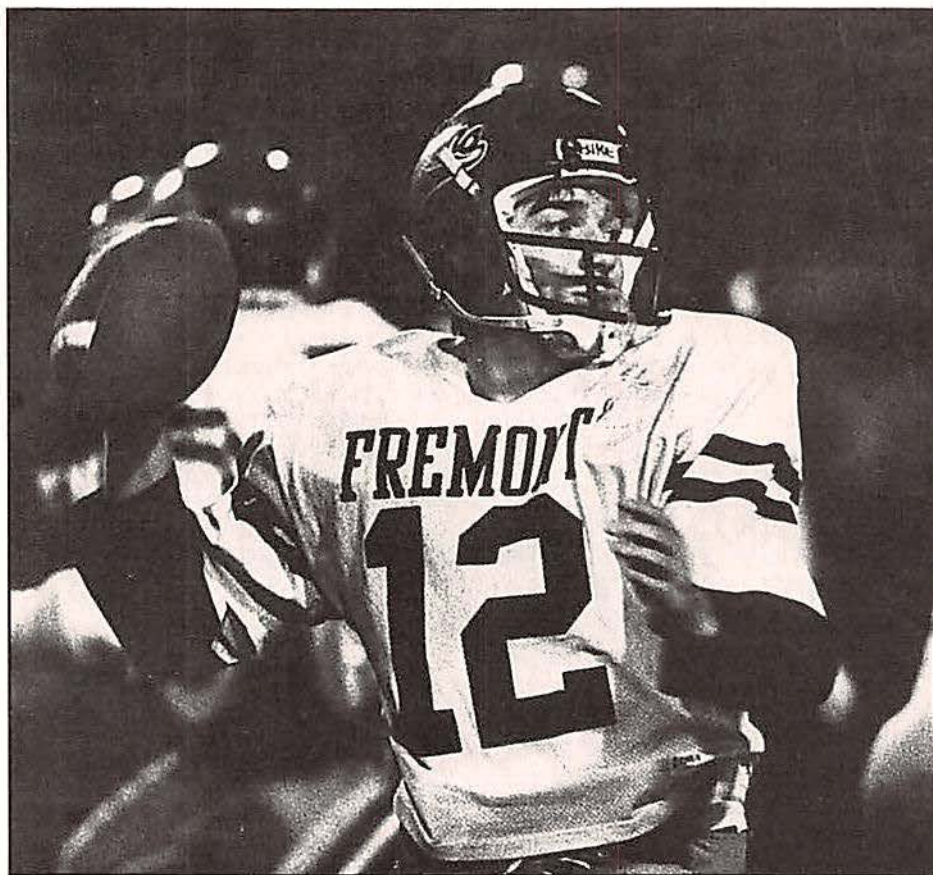
Recruiters studying films of West Des Moines (Iowa) Valley High in recent years always returned the films with a note: "Who's 35?" The number in question belongs to linebacker Matt Christensen (6-2, 204), a hard-nosed player who is now a senior.

In Nebraska, running back Ricky Davis (6-0, 180), the state's top returning sprinter (4.45 in the 40), is another Creighton Prep standout. Davis gained 533 yards in Achola's shadow last year but could see more action this time.

Other standouts are Lincoln Southeast linebacker Tim Herman (6-6, 235), Lincoln Northeast quarterback Dave Svehla (6-4, 200) and Omaha Burke quarterback Jeff Lenser (6-0, 170), who was all-state as a sophomore.

Also attracting interest will be Omaha South's duo of halfback Maurice Hooks (6-1, 195) and quarterback John McDonnell (6-3, 180), a converted free safety. Ralston's Craig Foreman (6-3, 210) is a tight end who may be the state's best punter.

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good athletes who can do college work who are being eliminated or at least shelved one year by SAT and ACT requirements."

Oklahoma cut its initial recruiting list in half. The Sooners usually go into the final two weeks before the letter-of-intent signing date with 75 or 80 players still being recruited.

"But this year," says Hill, "we went in with only 35."

Every major university felt the pinch. The best high school players in the country, those who qualified under the restrictions established by Proposal 48, could take their pick of schools.

They tended to wait longer to decide, often taking all five official recruiting trips allowed by the NCAA.

"It was the most competitive year I've ever seen in recruiting," Osborne says. "You had the same number of schools with the same number of scholarships zeroing in on about two-thirds as many players as last year. It was one of the most frustrating recruiting years I've ever had."

That wasn't the case at Oklahoma, however. The Sooners reaped the rewards of a national championship season. Even though most of last year's team returns, they were able to put together one of the best recruiting classes in the country.

Quarterback Bernard Hall (6-3, 210), from Henry Ford High in Detroit, picked Oklahoma even though Jamelle Holieway and Eric Mitchell, talented Sooners quarterbacks, are only sophomores.

Hall passed for 1,700 yards and 17 touch-

downs and rushed for 983 yards and 11 touchdowns to earn All-America recognition.

"We're always going to finish high on those recruiting service lists," Hill says. "That doesn't mean a hill of beans to me. What's important is filling our needs, getting guys who can help us two years down the road."

The Sooners apparently did well by that standard, too.

Colorado and Missouri also put together solid recruiting classes.

Nebraska and Oklahoma State were active in Texas, while Kansas State, Kansas and Iowa State recruited for immediate help out of junior colleges.

OKLAHOMA

The Sooners concentrated on linemen and came away with several rated among the best in the country. Most probably will redshirt.

The in-state group includes Robert Connor (6-5, 245) from Mangum, Harold Jones (6-4, 260) from Bristow, Terron Manning (6-2, 280) from Muskogee and Jerry Crafts (6-6, 303) from Tulsa.

From outside the state, the Sooners signed offensive lineman Nigel Clay (6-4, 250) of Fontana, Calif., and Larry Medice (6-4, 275) of Gretna, La. Clay, who's been timed at 4.9 in the 40, was a USA TODAY All-American.

In addition to Guess, James Goode (6-4, 220), an All-America defensive end from Houston Yates, could fill an immediate need.

The *Austin American Statesman* rated Goode the No. 1 high school defensive end in the state.

End Zarak Peters (6-4, 240) of Houston East Willowridge was the area's top defensive player. Adrian Cooper (6-6, 230), a linebacker from Denver, could be the sleeper of the class.

Oklahoma didn't come up short on running backs, either. The list includes Jarrod Oliver (6-0, 215) from Missouri City, Texas, who rushed for 1,182 yards and 13 touchdowns last year.

NEBRASKA

The Cornhuskers returned to Texas, where they had success a year ago, and signed five players, including three of the best at their positions in the state.

Offensive linemen Doug Glaser (6-7, 290) from Balch Springs and Jake Young (6-5, 225) from Midland were ranked No. 2 and No. 3 respectively by *The Dallas Morning News*.

Defensive end Kenny Walker (6-4, 215) of Crane, Texas, who is deaf, is an outstanding athlete who could have an immediate impact, as could defensive end Jeff Mills (6-4, 220) of Montclair, N.J.

As usual, Nebraska got almost every player it wanted from in-state, headed by Gerry Gdowski (6-2, 180) of Fremont. He played quarterback and defensive back but could become a wide receiver. Osborne calls him "probably as good an athlete as we've recruited."

Paul Bruengardt (6-6, 225) from Battle Creek was the state's high school defensive player of the year according to the *Lincoln Journal-Star*.

Nebraska's recruiting list also includes split end Morgan Gregory (6-0, 180) of Denver; Tom Punt (6-8, 245), a lineman of Sioux Center, Iowa; and Chris Caliendo (6-4, 210), a linebacker of Brookfield, Wis.

MISSOURI

The Tigers' 1-10 record didn't keep Coach Woody Widenhofer from assembling an outstanding recruiting class. The signing of VanZant was enough to make it a successful year.

But there are other good in-state freshmen in Columbia this fall, including All-America defensive end Mark Keough (6-7, 245) of St. Louis Hazelwood East.

Rob Dryden (6-8, 300), an offensive tackle from St. Charles, Mo., picked Missouri over Oklahoma thanks in part to recruiting pressure by Gov. John Ashcroft and former Tiger Johnny Roland, offensive coach with the world champion Chicago Bears.

Missouri was successful out of state as well, signing tight end Tim Bruton (6-5, 215) of Houston Madison and Mark Richardson (6-3, 250), an offensive lineman from Miami (Fla.) Northwestern.

The best of the junior college recruits are Darrin Grossich (6-4, 245), a nose guard of Long Beach (Calif.) City College, and tight end Robert Delpino (6-1, 210) of Dodge City (Kan.) JC.

"All these kids are big and can run," Widenhofer says. "This class has excellent speed."

COLORADO

The Buffaloes' trip to the Freedom Bowl helped

them put together their best recruiting class in Bill McCartney's four years as head coach.

McCartney feels Colorado's success had a tremendous impact. "It gave us a lot of credibility," he says. "If we hadn't had a winning season and gone to a bowl game, we wouldn't have gotten 75 percent of these kids."

One of the most prominent is J. J. Flannigan (6-0, 185), All-America running back from Pomona, Calif. In his senior year he rushed for 1,539 yards, caught 10 passes for 295 yards and scored 22 touchdowns.

The Buffaloes signed 11 other Californians, including quarterback Sal Aunese (6-0, 185) and Oakland Salavea (6-6, 235), a defensive lineman. Aunese played at Oceanside Vista and Salavea at Oceanside High.

Colorado was able to keep two of the best players in the state at home: offensive lineman Darrin Muilenburg (6-4, 260) of Lakewood and Dave McCloughan (6-0, 175), a running back/defensive back of Loveland.

OKLAHOMA STATE

The Cowboys again struck it rich in Texas, signing eight of *The Dallas Morning News'* top 30 high school players in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

That group includes running backs Terance Miller (6-0, 200) of Lewisville and Gerald Hudson (5-10, 195) of Waxahachie, wide receiver Curtis Mayfield (6-2, 170) of Dallas Spruce, defensive back Fred Gaines (6-1, 185) of Dallas Roosevelt, offensive linemen Phillip Pryor (6-4, 270) from Denison, Scott Webb (6-5, 240) from Carrollton and Reggie Christian (6-3, 245) from Lewisville, and defensive lineman Roland Scott (6-3, 205) from Dallas Carter.

In-state, the Cowboys recruited Midwest City quarterback Mike Gundy (5-11, 185), the state's Class 5A passing leader, Del City running back Vernon Brown (6-2, 200), who rushed for 1,651 yards; Sulphur fullback Mike Hood (6-0, 218); and Morris lineman Mike Martin (6-4, 260).

Oklahoma State appears to have a solid freshman class even if Miller, rated by *The Dallas Morning News* as the 26th-best high school player in the country, is ineligible to compete his first year. Miller runs a 4.5 40 and 9.6 100.

"We're very pleased with this class," says Coach Pat Jones. "We have good depth and quality players."

IOWA STATE

The Cyclones went for immediate help, signing 11 junior college transfers. Paul Serina (6-2, 232), a defensive end from Pierce (Los Angeles) JC, is described by Iowa State Coach Jim Criner as "the most dominant junior college player I saw."

Wide receivers Eddie Brown (5-10, 170) from Dodge City, (Kan.) JC; Tom Schulting (5-11, 176) from Diablo Valley, (Calif.) Community College and David Taliauli (6-0, 165) from Snow (Utah) Junior College should get an opportunity to contribute immediately in the Cyclones' pass-oriented offense.

Schulting caught 93 passes for 1,400 yards and 14 touchdowns to earn junior college All-America recognition. His 93 receptions broke the national JC record.

Brown caught 40 passes for 830 yards and 10 touchdowns, and Taliauli, who will be a sophomore, caught 20 passes for 317 yards and three touchdowns on a national junior college championship team.

Among the most notable of Iowa State's high school recruits are Tom Kiska (6-2, 212), a full-back of Bolingbrook, Ill.; running back Michael Brown (5-7, 165) of Cincinnati Princeton, who rushed for 1,770 yards and scored 22 touchdowns as a senior; Kelly Day (6-3, 275), an offensive lineman of Apple Valley, Minn.; and defensive back Joe Blankenship (6-1, 175) of Detroit Murray Wright.

KANSAS

First-year Coach Bob Valesente was active recruiting in-state. He signed seven Kansans, including Brad Hinkle (6-1, 175), a defensive back from Olathe South. Hinkle has 4.5 speed in the 40 and intercepted 21 passes in his three-year career.

Kansas signed three high school teammates from Lawrence: offensive linemen Chip Budde (6-2, 235) and Craig Stoppel (6-5, 225), and defensive back Bill Sutter (5-11, 185). Junction City's Darryl Golden (6-5, 250), the only high school player in the state recruited heavily by rival Kansas State, also signed with the Jayhawks.

From out of state, Kansas got Kelly Donohoe (6-1, 180), a quarterback of Harrisonville, Mo., and Tracy Jordan (6-4, 215), a tight end from Denver George Washington. Donohoe completed 321 of 591 passes for 4,324 yards and 35 touchdowns in his career.

The Jayhawks sought experienced help from eight JC transfers, including David White (6-5, 250), a defensive end from Hutchinson (Kan.) JC and Arnold Snell (6-0, 200), a running back from Independence (Kan.) Community College. Snell rushed for 978 yards and scored seven touchdowns last season.

"I feel very good about our recruiting," says Valesente. "We were able to reload all positions."

KANSAS STATE

Not a single in-state freshman is included in the first recruiting class of Coach Stan Parrish.

Parrish vowed to use a passing attack to turn around the Wildcats' program, and to that end, he signed quarterbacks Tim Hanson (6-1, 190), a transfer of Golden West (Huntington Beach, Calif.) JC; Chris Cobb (6-3, 190) of Lake Highlands High in Dallas; and Eric Harper (6-2, 195) of Denison, Texas.

Hanson passed for 1,700 yards and 17 touchdowns in 10 games. Cobb passed for 1,400 yards as a senior, and Harper led his team to 29 consecutive regular-season victories.

Among Kansas State's other junior college transfers are running back Clark Brown (5-10, 180) from Riverside (Calif.) JC, who signed with Oklahoma out of high school, and Willie Halliburton (6-0, 185), an All-America defensive back from Coffeyville (Kan.) JC. Halliburton, who figures to be a free safety, runs a 4.5 40.

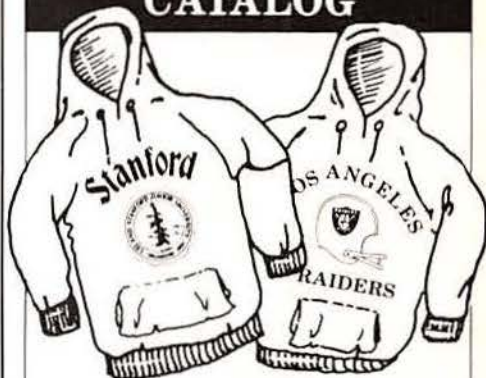
"We feel we've improved our speed, which was one of our primary goals," Parrish says.

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the running game. So actually, his blocking assignments are infrequent.

As an eighth grader in Missouri City, Texas, he preferred baseball. But the first day of football practice, a coach talked him into trying out for the team.

"He said if I didn't like it, I didn't have to play," Thomas recalls. "I scored three touchdowns in the first scrimmage. I decided that I liked it."

"In high school I felt I was too small, but my dad said size didn't matter, so I went ahead and played."

And how he played. He ran for 3,918 yards and scored 48 touchdowns at Willow Ridge High. As a senior, he was an All-American.

Thomas didn't make the starting lineup at Oklahoma State until the seventh game of his freshman season, when veteran tailback Shawn Jones suffered a shoulder injury. Thomas started the next week and ran for 206

yards and two touchdowns against Kansas State.

Thomas' uncle is Grady Cavness, former defensive back with the Denver Broncos and Atlanta Falcons.

"My uncle told me," Thomas remembers, "If you get an opportunity, don't let it escape. And once you get a position, keep it; don't let anybody take it away."

Thomas led Oklahoma State in rushing with 843 yards in 1984, the first freshman to do so since the Cowboys joined the conference 25 years ago. He was named the Associated Press Offensive Newcomer of the Year in the Big Eight. In Oklahoma State's 21-14 victory over South Carolina in the Gator Bowl, he rushed for 155 yards, scored a touchdown and was named Most Valuable Player.

In the 1985 season opener, Thomas took up where he left off by rushing for a college career-high 237 yards in the Cowboys' surprising 31-

17 victory over then 12th-ranked Washington.

"He milks every attempt for all it's worth," says Washington Coach Don James. "He always seems to get an extra three or four yards."

"You think you've got your hands on him, and the next moment he's gone," says Huskies' defensive tackle Reggie Rogers.

He rushed for 100 or more yards in 10 of his 16 regular season starts at Oklahoma State, including 213 yards against Kansas State and 201 yards against Colorado last season. He had 174 yards against Florida State in the Cowboys' 34-23 Gator Bowl loss last December.

Thomas is a popular figure on the campus these days.

He says: "People tell me they hadn't realized how small I am (5-10, 190). Some say they wished they had tried football. They didn't know a small guy could play."

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Thomas hates crowds on the field, avoiding them every chance he gets.



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Atlanta Falcons

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Los Angeles Rams

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Green Bay Packers

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New Orleans Saints

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St. Louis Cardinals

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Minnesota Vikings

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San Francisco 49ers

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Washington Redskins

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The Two-Minute Offense When Time Is Prime

by Peter Finney

Nowadays, college football, as well as professional football, can be broken down into two games.

You have 56 minutes—28 minutes in each half—devoted to your normal run, pass and punt.

Then you have four minutes—two minutes at the end of each half—devoted to what often boils down to a passing blitz versus the prevent defense.

The two-minute offense has become as much a part of football as third-and-long.

"During the season," says Tennessee Coach Johnny Majors, "you spend time on running the two-minute offense and defending it, because it can affect the outcome."

"You have to prepare mentally to handle an offense that will employ four receivers and call plays rapidly without huddling. During the season, we devote time on Monday working on the hurry-up against our defense. On Thursday, we work against the kind of two-minute defense our opponent uses. It's a vital part of our game plan."

Naturally, the question arises: Since a team that can't make an offensive dent in 28 minutes suddenly begins moving the ball with its two-minute drill, why not run the two-minute offense throughout?

"Because," says Iowa's Hayden Fry, "you still have to run the football, have some offensive balance. In the two minutes before the half, and at the end of the game, you are looking at a defense that will invite you to complete the short pass while protecting against the home run. That's why you see ball movement. The idea is to keep you out of the end zone."

This is why, explains LaVell Edwards of Brigham Young, you'll see teams rushing three men and dropping eight into coverage.

"Trying to cover four wide receivers with four defensive backs can be suicidal," he ex-

plains. "Most linebackers couldn't handle it. If you blitzed, you'd be inviting the bomb. That's why there is some percentage in playing the prevent."

For some teams, it can come down to a matter of dying a quick death or a slow one, since a good quarterback, given time, can find

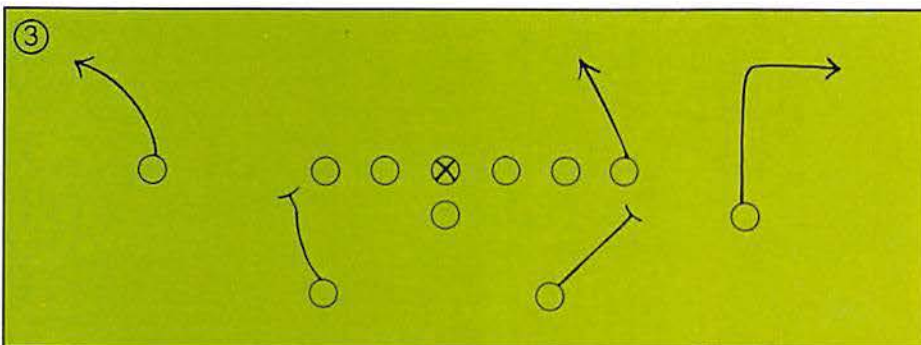
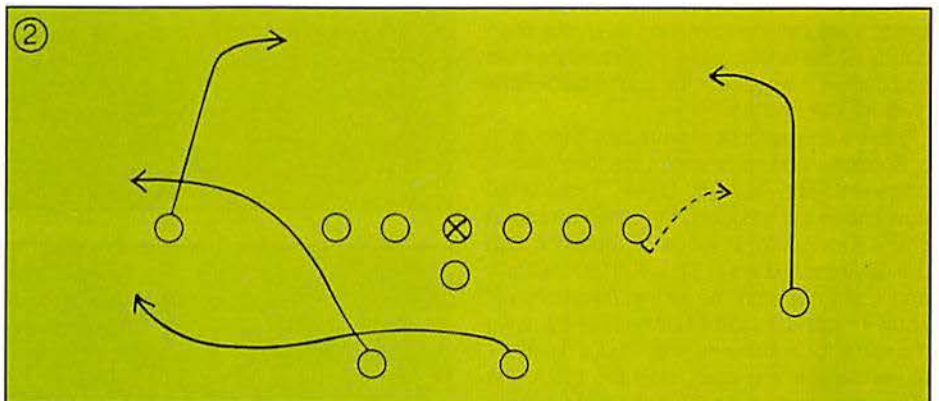
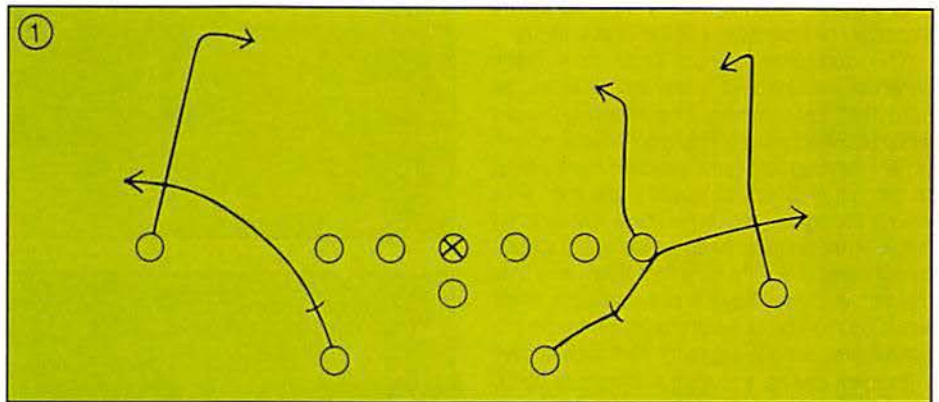
the open man, even in a highly populated secondary.

From team to team, two-minute philosophies vary, but not that much.

Basically, here are the two-minute offense principles for saving time when behind or tied:

1. Have at least two plays ready and be

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Here are three basic passing routes used by BYU in the two-minute offense: the curl (diagram 1), weak flood (2) and quick pass (3).

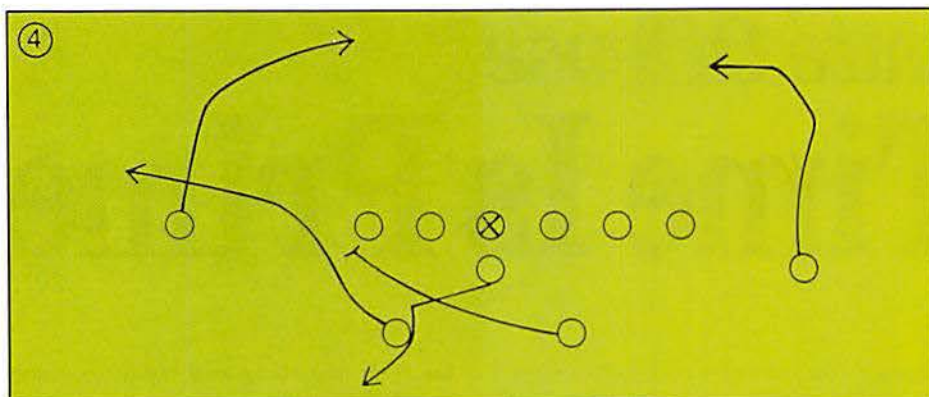


Diagram 4 illustrates play-action routes in the two-minute offense. Among the most common patterns are the quick pass (5), strong-side flood (6) and weak-side flood (7). The other three are shown on page 168.

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ready to continue playing without a huddle.

2. If the clock is stopped, be prepared to huddle and receive a play, or plays, from the quarterback.

3. Always keep the sideline in mind and try to conserve timeouts until the final minute.

The quarterback must know how many timeouts remain and when to use them; be sure that ball carriers and receivers know whether he's thinking field goal or touchdown (if he's thinking field goal, they'll be more willing to get out of bounds); always use the quick count; recognize when he must intentionally throw an incomplete pass to stop the clock; request measurement for a first down any time the ball is close; have a play called and his team on the line of scrimmage when the referee is preparing to signal for the clock to start.

In most cases, a team's two-minute package might be limited to no more than five plays, four of them passes.

Usually, in these circumstances, the quarterback will call the formation, play and snap count. Some teams use a predetermined set and cadence whenever the quarterback says "two-minute offense."

Here's an example of what can happen:

Suppose the quarterback says "two-minute offense, 64 and 73; ready, break." The offense now knows the designed formation and snap count. Obviously, all kinds of situations can prevail. If the first play (64) is run successfully and does not stop the clock, the team will know it must hurry to the ball and run 73, using the same formation and snap count. If play 64 is successful and does stop the clock, the team may huddle again and call two more plays, disregarding play 73.

The key in any hurry-up offense is planning ahead in the event a play works, or doesn't work; in the event the clock stops, or doesn't stop.

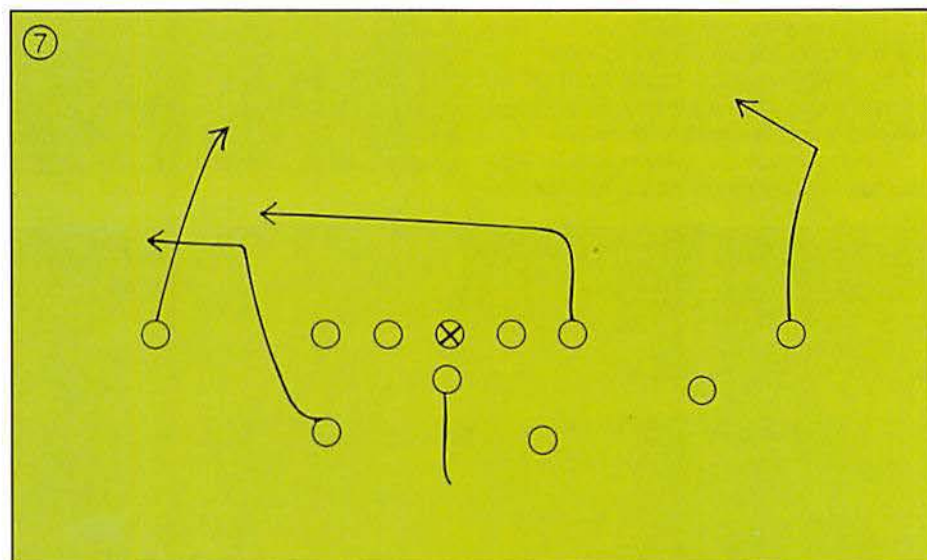
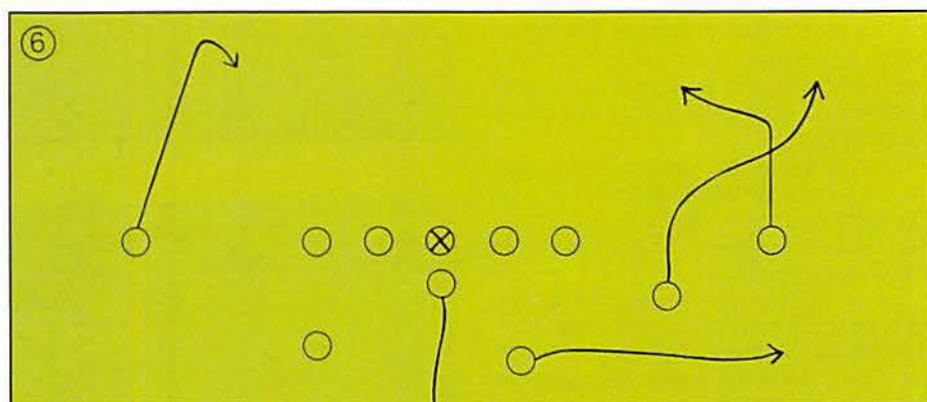
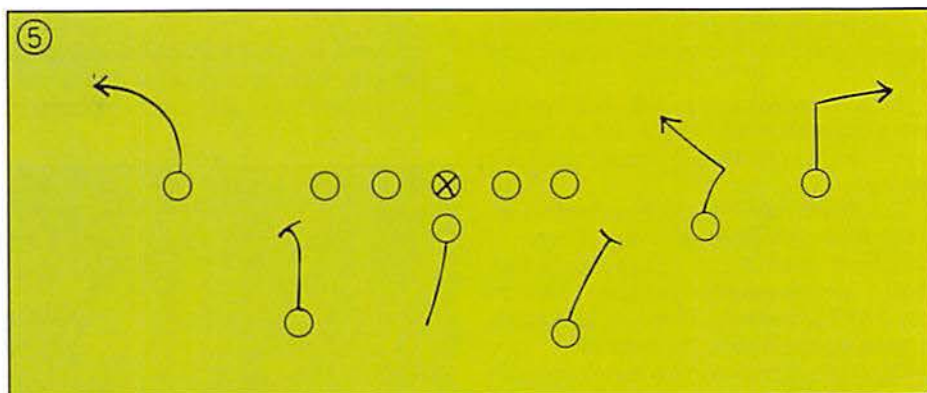
John Ralston, a successful coach and Rose Bowl winner at Stanford, maintains that any philosophy in football has to be governed by what two of the greatest contributors to the game once said:

Bear Bryant: "Have a plan for everything."

Clark Shaughnessy: "Build on strengths and circumvent weaknesses."

For example, because Brigham Young's strength is the passing game, it would be much

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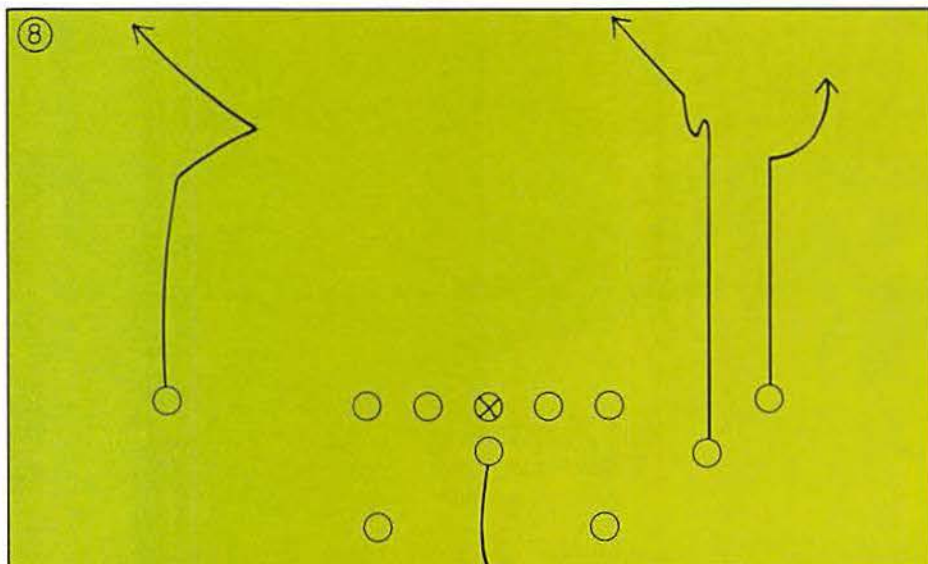
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Among the most popular patterns in the two-minute race against the clock are the deep flood (diagram 8), delays (9) and screens (10).

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more at home in a two-minute offense than Oklahoma, a run-oriented team.

BYU has a total commitment to throwing the ball anywhere, anytime. Players believe they can win by throwing, whether it be drop-back, sprint-out, throw-back, play-action, screen or draw.

"We have basic routes that can be run either during the course of the game or called on in the final two minutes, depending on the defense," says Edwards.

BYU can employ curl routes (diagram 1) from a split-back formation as well as the weak flood (diagram 2), the quick pass (diagram 3) and the play action (diagram 4).

Ordinarily, two-minute pass patterns are chosen from the basic offense, those the coach feels will be most productive. Depending on the defensive look, he wants his team to be able to strike deep, medium or short.

The following are the six most common types of patterns in a hurry-up scheme:

In the quick pass (diagram 5), the quarterback will take a three-step drop and the receivers will run five-yard patterns.

In the strong-side flood (diagram 6), the quarterback will take a seven-step drop and the receivers will run 15-yard patterns.

In the weak-side flood (diagram 7), there is also a seven-step drop and 15-yard break.

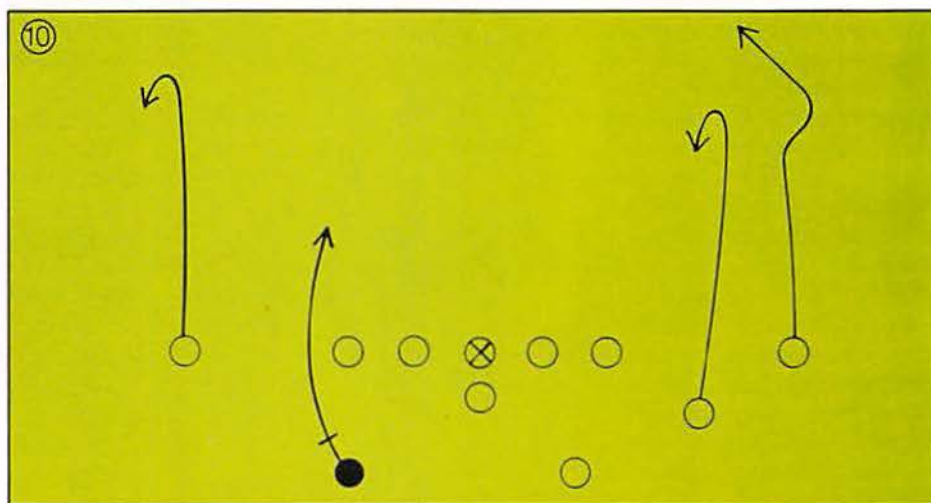
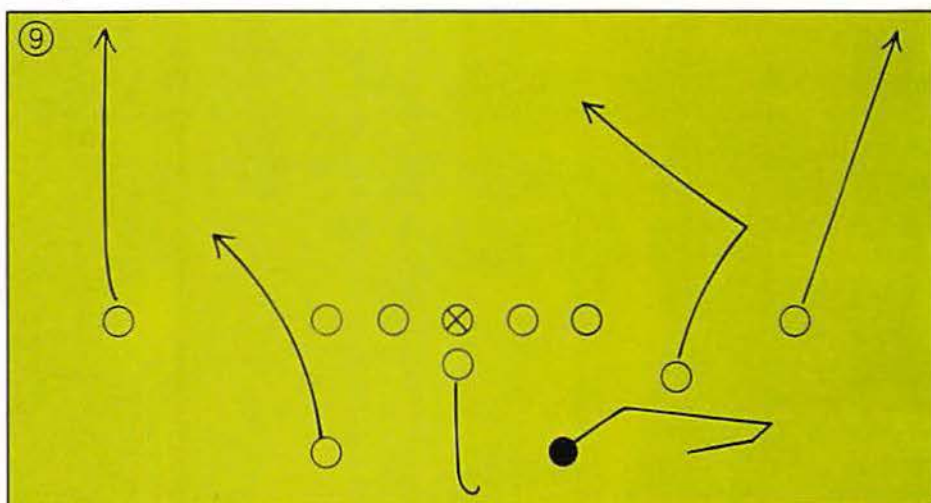
In the deep flood (diagram 8), there is a seven-step drop by the quarterback, while the receivers normally take a pattern and go deep.

Then, there are the delays and screens (diagrams 9 and 10).

Although the prevent defense is thinking pass, coaches do not overlook the run.

Anticipating a strong rush, they will look for the long gainer on the quick trap or the quick toss.

"We're always conscious of the sideline in our planning," says Majors. "Usually, in the final two minutes of the first half, we tend to be more conservative, that is, we might be happy to settle for a field goal. At the end of the game, it becomes a question of what you need to win. Sometimes you need a 'prayer play.' We



work on those, too, every week. It's part of our one-minute offense."

As planning becomes more detailed, college coaches face what has become the rule of thumb in the pros: When a team goes into its two-minute offense, the defense will insert its three or four best pass rushers and seven or eight best defensive backs.

No team could afford to run a two-minute offense for 60 minutes, because it would be placing the safety of the quarterback in the hands of constantly blitzing linebackers.

When you come down to it, the "two-game" setup that requires two plans adds an exciting element to football.

"But it does age the coaches," says Majors.

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Lou Holtz has been around. In 1970, when he was head coach at William & Mary, the team was booked into Memorial Stadium at Annapolis for a game with Navy.

"I don't know if you've ever been in Memorial Stadium in Annapolis," says Holtz, the storyteller. "A beautiful stadium. A double-decked stadium. On the balcony below the second tier, they have the words, in big bold letters, 'Iwo Jima,' 'Guadalcanal,' 'Saipan,' 'Bataan.' And while we're warming up, one of our players comes over and says, 'Man, we can't beat *these* guys.'"

"I said, 'What do you mean, we can't beat them?'"

"And he says, 'No way. Look at the schedule they play.'"

"You have to understand Coach Hayes. He really meant no physical harm; it was just his way of getting my undivided attention."

Lou Holtz has been around and around. He was at Ohio State as an assistant coach to Woody Hayes in one of the Buckeyes' greatest seasons.

"We won the national championship in 1968," says Holtz, "and we played Southern California in the Rose Bowl. They had a back named O.J. Simpson."

"Coach Hayes and I got into a little conversation on the best way to defend O.J. And in his inimical style, Coach Hayes said, 'OK, you win. But O.J. had better not score a touchdown.'"

"Perhaps you remember the game. Jan. 1, 1969."

"In the second quarter, Southern Cal had the ball, first and 10, on their own 20-yard line. O.J. took a handoff and went 80 yards for a touchdown. I was very happy at the time that I was in the press box and Coach Hayes was on the sideline."

"But I walked into the locker room at halftime, and Coach Hayes came right up to me and strategically placed his left hand on my jugular vein. He squeezed gently and my eyes got about *that* big. You have to understand Coach Hayes. He really meant no physical harm; it was just his way of getting my undivided attention."

" 'Why the hell'd he go 80 yards?' Coach Hayes screamed."

" 'Coach, that's all he needed,' I said."

Holtz has been around and around and around. He landed at Minnesota in 1984.

"We'd given up an average of 47 points a game the year before," he says. "Got beat 56-17 by Wisconsin, 58-10 by Michigan, 61-10 by Iowa and 84-13 by Nebraska. Gave up 518 points in all. More than the basketball team gave up."

"We gave up over 5,000 yards, and then we found out that the defense was the *strong* part of our team."

"We punted 86 times, and then we looked at the schedule and saw we had to play Nebraska and Ohio State and Michigan again."

"Somebody asked, 'How'd you sleep when you looked at that schedule?' I said, 'Like a baby. I'd wake up every two hours and cry.'"

Yes, Lou Holtz has been around. And now he's at Notre Dame, the job he says he always wanted but never thought he would get. The Irish-German-Slovakian kid from a long line of Holtzes and Haggertys and Tychovieiches, who says he was too dumb and too poor to ever dream of going there to school, is being asked now, please, to reach out to yearning football players, bring them to Notre Dame and turn around the tarnished record that saw the Fighting Irish, in five seasons under Gerry Faust, go from Top 10 to mediocre.

"The normal geographical boundaries are somewhere between Mars and Pluto," says Holtz, speaking of the recruiting area that he began mining after his arrival in South Bend. "On one of the questionnaires I gave to assistant coaches here, it said one guy was responsible for recruiting Alaska. *Alaska!* I think we're going to narrow it down. Wherever there's a priest or nun, we'll recruit."

No, it isn't true that Faust had a clause in his contract at Notre Dame that said he could leave only if the job at the University of Akron came open. But, yes, it is true, Holtz insists, that the reason he was able to leave Minnesota after just two

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seasons—with the Gophers pressing him to agree to a lifetime contract—was because the Golden Dome was in the back of his mind.

"When you talk about making a commitment for life, you start to think," he says. "We prayed on that, my wife and family and I. And I went back and said, 'OK, a lifetime commitment—except if Notre Dame ever calls.'"

"Look, if you talk about another state institution, you're not going to find any better than Minnesota. But Notre Dame is a national institution. Notre Dame is different from any other job in the country. That's why Notre Dame was put in the contract. I had no idea I'd be here."

"I just hope I've been adequately prepared to cope with it. But how do you cope with Notre Dame? I don't know."

Here's an idea: Perhaps you do it by being the son of immigrants, a kid whose love of football was much greater than his ability to play it. By being a slow learner and a fast finisher. By becoming one of football's most renowned raconteurs. By studying under Jerry Burns at Iowa and Woody Hayes at Ohio State. By being an assistant coach, too, at Connecticut, William & Mary and South Carolina. As a head coach, by going from three losing seasons at William & Mary to four winning years at North Carolina State. By following a disastrous one-season stop in New York as coach of the Jets with seven winning seasons at Arkansas. And, finally, by undertaking the rebuilding job that took Minnesota, in two seasons, from the 1-10 of Joe Salem's last year to 4-7 in 1984 and then in 1985 to 6-5 and the Independence Bowl—the 12th bowl that teams coached by Holtz have earned.

Make that many moves and people are going to say that you're always thinking about going somewhere, even though you just arrived. Holtz denies it. "If you check my track record, one thing you'll find is that I had to make all the stops," he says. "My alma mater (Kent State) wouldn't even hire me. The last job I applied for was at Holy Cross, when I was an assistant at Ohio State."

That was in 1968. When Ohio State fired Hayes in 1978, Hugh Hindman, then the Ohio State athletic director, asked Holtz if he was interested in being interviewed by the selection committee. Holtz, then in his second year at Arkansas, says he replied that it wouldn't be fair to the Razorbacks. Ohio State named Earle Bruce, who had also been an assistant on the '68 staff, to succeed Hayes.

So now, Holtz is the new man under the Golden Dome.

"All you have to do is be here three days to see what Notre Dame is all about. I don't look on it as pressure. I don't look on it as an accomplishment. I look on it as an awesome responsibility, because Notre Dame has such a great reputation for excellence in everything it does."

He does not come unencumbered. There

is his record, for whatever reason, of often changing jobs. A personality that, some say, can change swiftly from friendly and outgoing to standoffish and uncommunicative. A lingering reputation, left over from Arkansas, of being a poor recruiter.

Holtz: "To be classified as moody is completely inaccurate. What some people interpret as being moody is nothing more than being deep in thought or preoccupied. People mistake my being excited for being angry. They need to understand that it's nothing more than my German-Irish descent. It's in the blood."

And the recruiting?

"I think it's a bum rap. Arkansas is the only place it's ever been heard, and it also happens to be one of the few schools that's never been mentioned in an investigation of the Southwest Conference."

"The only way people are going to stop us from giving him the ball is if they intercept the pass from center."

Holtz, who says he graduated 234th in his high school class of 278 in East Liverpool, Ohio, gets his chance to turn Notre Dame around. Is he ready? He says, not in bragadocio, that if he once had trouble playing football, he has never been overwhelmed by coaching it.

"Football assignments and knowledge always came instinctively to me," he says. "I can't remember what drawer my socks are in or my children's names, but I can look at game film and remember assignments."

So, the latest test. Notre Dame went 5-6 in 1985 under Faust and was embarrassed in its final-game 58-7 loss to Miami. From that team, the Irish lost tailback and career ground-gaining leader Allen Pinkett, linebacker Tony Furjanic, defensive tackle Eric Dorsey and six other starters. Senior Steve Beuerlein and junior Terry Andrysiak, who split the quarterbacking, return.

Holtz says he will do what he has to do.

"At Minnesota, the defense was weak, and we didn't think we could just drop back and throw the ball and have a chance to win," he says. "So we decided to run the option. At Arkansas, when we had Gary Anderson and some other fine athletes, we went to the I-formation and gave it to the tailbacks."

"Here, I have to believe we will not be an option team. I don't think that would give us the best chance to win. I hope we have some tailbacks who can beat a tackler one on one. I don't foresee us throwing on every down. But I would foresee us throwing 30 times a game."

Last year, Notre Dame passing was inconsistent at best. Beuerlein, who underwent

shoulder surgery before the 1985 season, was intercepted 13 times. He threw for 1,335 yards and three touchdowns. With 29 starting assignments, he has the edge in experience.

Andrysiak is the rollout type. He started only one game last season but played in others. He completed 35 of 61 passes for 542 yards and three touchdowns and was intercepted once.

The receiving corps is strong. It includes juniors Tim Brown at flanker and Reggie Ward at split end. Together, they accounted for 49 catches for 752 yards. Senior tight end Tom Rehder (6-7, 243), who caught 13 passes for 182 yards, one for a touchdown, also returns. So does senior wide receiver Milt Jackson, who sat out last season. "I'm impressed with Brown's ability," says Holtz. "The only way people are going to stop us from giving him the ball is if they intercept the pass from center."

Because seniors Alonzo Jefferson and Hiawatha Francisco had off-season knee surgery (Jefferson is not likely to play this fall), Pinkett's tailback position is up for grabs. Sophomore Corny Southall is a possibility. Junior Frank Stams, the front-runner at fullback, broke an ankle in spring practice. It was hoped he would not be sidelined for the season.

There's a rebuilding job in the offensive line. Fifth-year senior guard Shawn Heffern (6-5, 266) is the only returning regular. Lettermen contending for starting spots include seniors Chuck Lanza (6-3, 255) at center, John Askin (6-6, 268) and Tom Freeman (6-4, 265) at guard, and Byron Spruell (6-5, 264) and Pete Rokich (6-7, 262) at tackle. Jeff Pearson, a 6-4, 242-pound offensive lineman from Chicago St. Laurence and a blue chipper, was among the 22 in Holtz's first recruiting crop.

The kicking game is in good feet with senior placekicker John Carney (30 of 41 career field goals) and senior punter Dan Sorensen, who averaged 40.2 yards in '85, back.

Seven starters return on defense, headed by junior Cedric Figaro (6-3, 232) at outside linebacker and senior Mike Kovaleski (6-2, 218) at one of the inside backer spots. Furjanic's slot could be filled by fifth-year senior Ron Weisenhofer (6-3, 221), senior Dave Butler (6-3, 223) or junior Wes Pritchett (6-5, 225).

Senior nose tackle Mike Griffin (6-4, 246), out all of 1985 with a broken ankle, and tackles Robert Banks (6-5, 234) and Wally Kleine (6-9, 274), who missed half a season after knee surgery, return to the line. Familiar faces in the backfield are cornerbacks Troy Wilson and Mike Haywood, and free safety Steve Lawrence, all seniors. Junior Brandy Wells and sophomore George Streeter contend for the strong safety job.

"I'm concerned about the pass rush," Holtz says. "Last year, either the quarterback got the pass off or the quarter ended."

That's a joke, son.

Lou Holtz, the noted quipster, hopes that his first season at Notre Dame is anything but.

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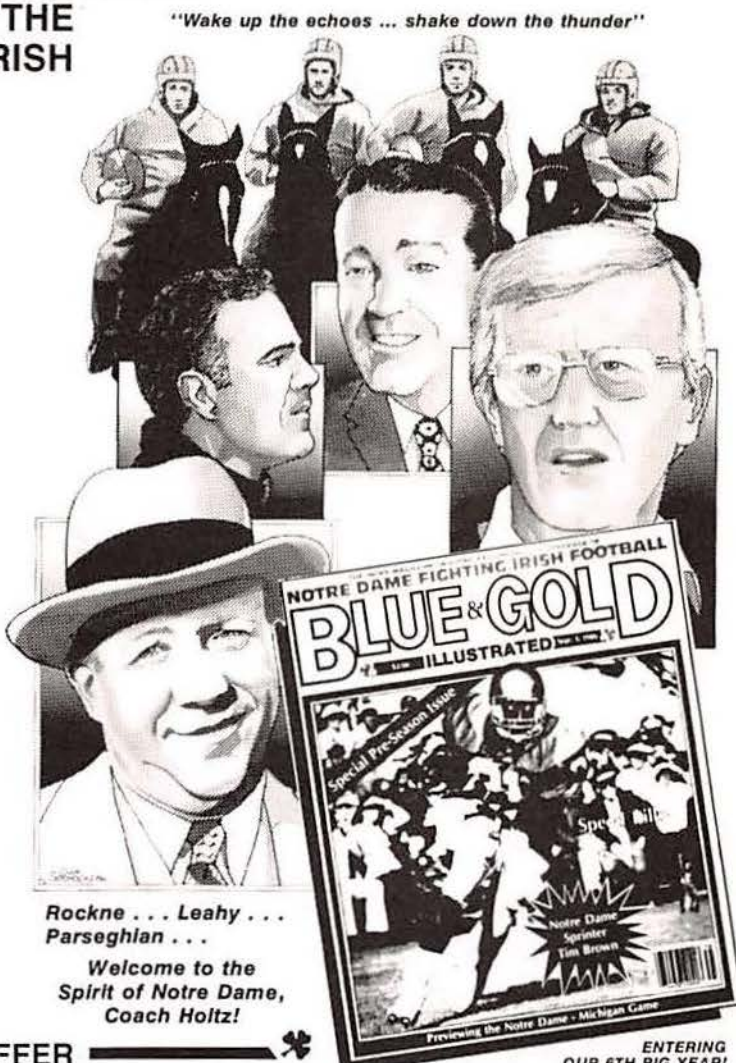
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(Cleaning Up continued)

Volunteers upset Miami in the Sugar Bowl.

• An Atlanta jury awarded \$2.57 million to Jan Kemp, a former Georgia associate professor who claimed she was fired for speaking out against preferential treatment of athletes. (She eventually received \$1.08 million and got her job back in an out-of-court settlement.) The trial featured testimony from former university President Fred Davison and football Coach Vince Dooley, who inferred that academic leniency is widespread and now necessary to remain competitive.

"What we have is some people trying to take remedial courses and count it as college credits," says Syracuse Coach Dick MacPherson. "And now they're getting caught. Beautiful."

"We've got so many problems in everything. We've got drug problems, academics, facilities, money, TV. We start (games) at 1 o'clock, 2 o'clock, 3 o'clock, 12:15, 12:18. Who controls what?"

Who indeed?

"It had gotten ridiculous—to the point where players could blackmail coaches," Wacker says. "What can you do if they say they're going to turn you over to the NCAA? This is the third time you've been caught with drugs; you're off the team." . . . "Uh-uh, coach, you're wrong."

But Wacker adds, "I feel better right now than I have since I came into Division I (in

1983). We've got a chance to clean it up."

About three years ago, the stench finally drifted into the offices of college presidents and chancellors. Appalled, they sought more voice in the policy-making NCAA and came away with the 44-member Presidents' Commission.

In June of 1985, the commission called a special NCAA convention to address the integrity crisis and pushed through a series of landmark penalties against cheating. Commit a "major" violation and, in addition to TV and bowl sanctions, you essentially can't recruit for a year. Commit two majors in five years and your program will be shut down—barred from outside competition—for up to two years.

Two more significant pieces of legislation came last January. One established a drug-testing program at all NCAA championships and football bowl games. Beginning with the California Bowl on Dec. 13, football players will be checked for traces of everything from cocaine and marijuana to anabolic steroids. The other vote was a go-ahead for Proposal 48, the controversial bill raising academic standards (a 2.0 grade-point average in a core curriculum of 11 high school subjects and scores of 700 on the Scholastic Aptitude Test or 15 on the American College Test) for incoming freshman athletes.

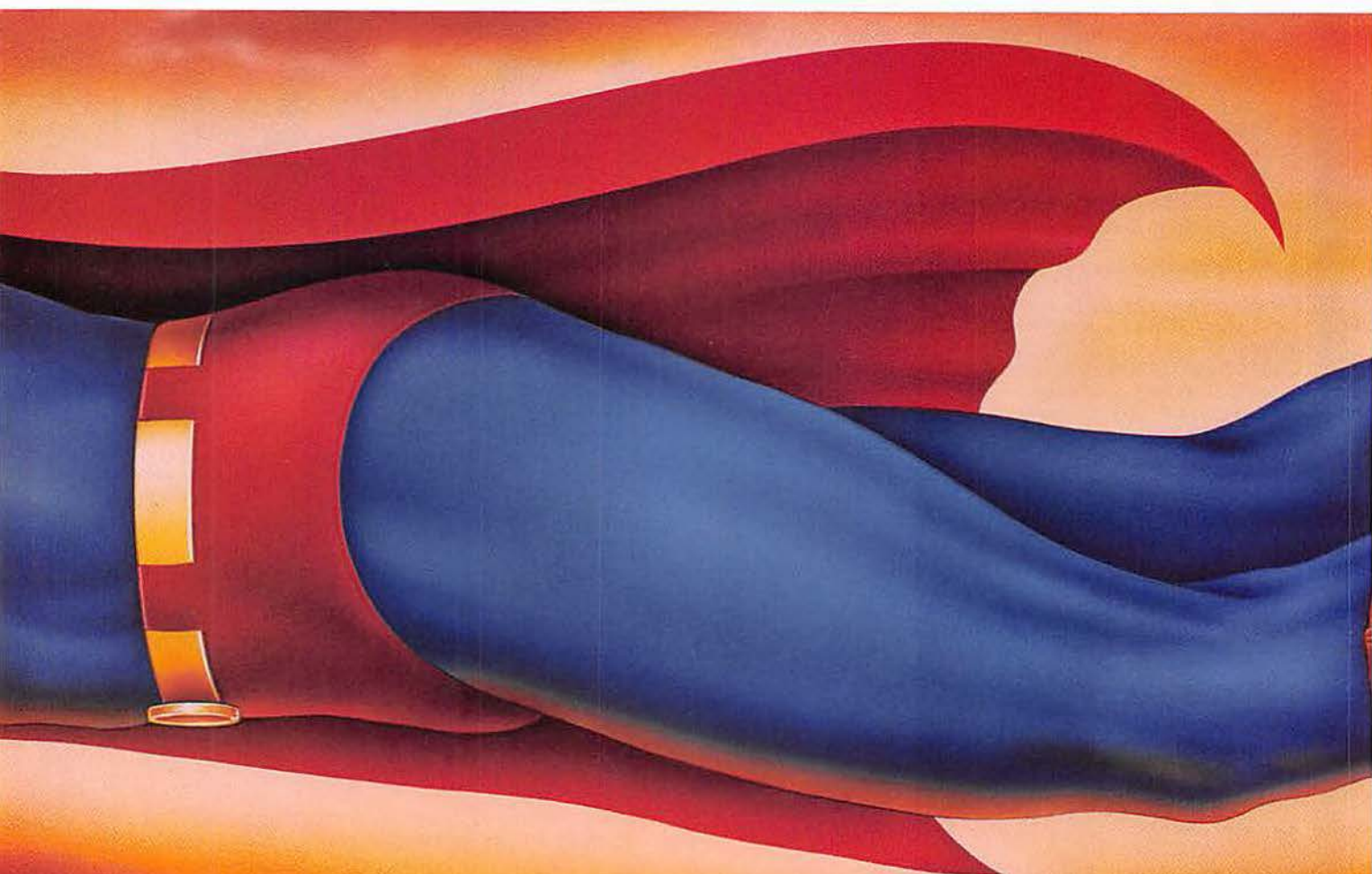
The impact of the latter will be considerable. Before Proposal 48 went into effect this August, Ohio State Coach Earle Bruce predicted, "Twenty-five to 40 percent of the really good football players will be affected." Teaff estimated about the same. Eddie Robinson of predominantly black Division I-AA Grambling shook his head and said, "Seventy percent of the people I'm recruiting will not be able to play (as freshmen)."

And the NCAA promises more. Perhaps a ban on all freshman competition. Further limits on the length of playing seasons. Limits on coaches' salaries, including outside income from such sources as shoe contracts and summer camps. All are possible agenda items at the next NCAA convention in San Diego next January.

Also possible—make that probable—is legislation dealing with wayward boosters and other recruiting sore spots.

"Nothing is wrong with intercollegiate athletics," NCAA Executive Director Walter Byers said recently, "except for the recruiting process. I've said time and time again that's the Achilles' heel."

"We have a solid set of rules for financial aid now. Academic rules are much improved and will continue to be improved. The only weakness we have is in the area of recruiting."



The problem-plagued Southwest Conference is expected to come back with a proposal, tabled last January, that would ban boosters from all recruiting involvement. But some insist that still won't be enough.

"What cannot be done now is to control the booster who doesn't care, who decides he knows best—better than the president, the athletic director or the coach—what's needed," says Frank Remington, a Wisconsin law professor who chairs the NCAA's committee on infractions. "I've had college presidents tell me the only way you'll be able to control the booster of that sort is through the business community, if the guy is told he's going to be ostracized socially and business-wise. That, you can't put into the rule book."

The SWC, of course, is currently the den of recruiting iniquity. NCAA investigators know the territory, from SMU to TCU to Texas to Texas Tech to Texas A&M to Houston, like their own backyards.

Why so many more problems, or at least the appearance of more problems, there and elsewhere in the South than anywhere else in the country? Beyond Illinois, for example, the Big Ten has remained relatively scandal-free in recent years.

"The (Big Ten) coaches of the past have had great integrity," says Lou Holtz, who left

Minnesota at the end of last season for Notre Dame. "Woody Hayes ran a very clean program. Usually, what you find is that when the dominating people do something, the rest of the conference will run in behind. If they run a passing game, the rest of the conference will run a passing game. If they run an honest program, the rest run an honest program."

Says former Oregon State Athletic Director Dee Andros: "Look at Michigan. They have the largest alumni association in the country, and they run an extremely clean program. Bo (Schembechler) lays down the law, tells 'em what can be done and what won't be done."

Which brings up one of the NCAA's oft-stressed points: The coach is ultimately responsible for his program. The same 1985 convention that came up with the "death penalty" produced another measure applying NCAA sanctions to a coach even if he moves to another school.

There is also sentiment to hold the athletes themselves more responsible, to simply strip those guilty of rules violations of their college eligibility. Hold everybody from the school president to the third-string tight end accountable.

Still, it may be an impossible task.

"They electrocute some people who kill others. That's a tough penalty, but it (murder)

hasn't stopped yet," says Texas Athletic Director DeLoss Dodds. "We can make it better (in college athletics), but not perfect."

"The thing I worry about is how the public sees us—the drugs and payoffs. What scares me is they expect it."

Others are more optimistic. Wacker, for one, despite the tribulations of the past year. And Georgia Tech Coach Bill Curry.

"Mommies are starting to say, 'Are you going to put my son in a development course?'" Curry says. "Is my son going to graduate if he comes to your school, Coach Curry?" Now, they want to know what courses they're going to take their freshman year.

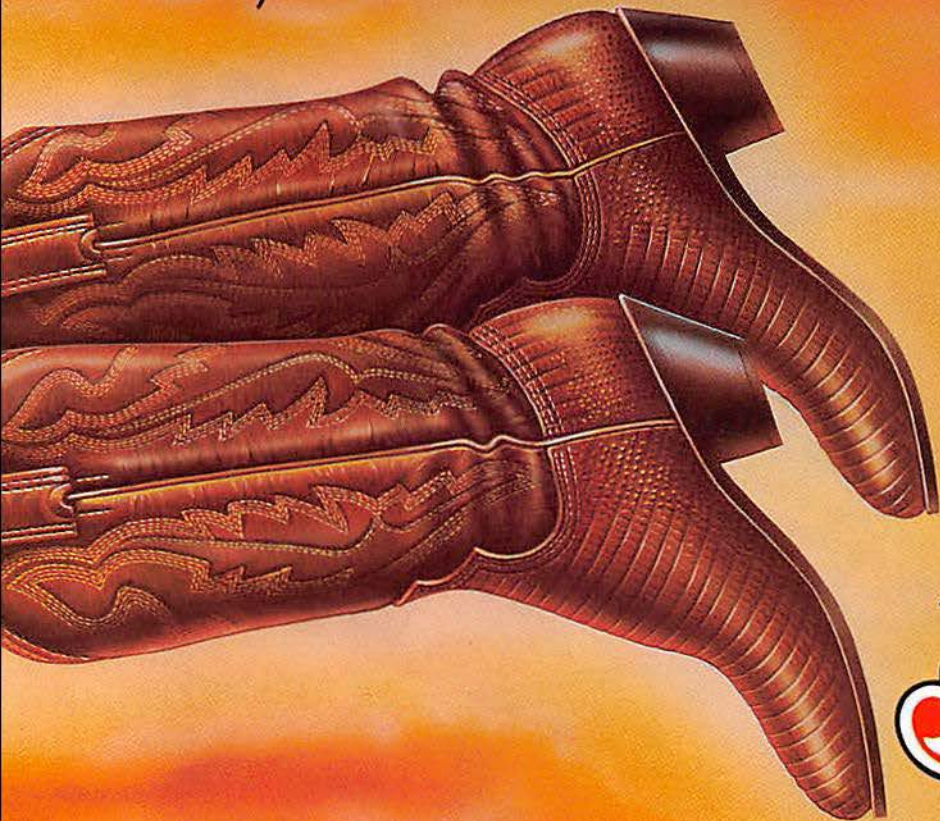
"Look at people like (Penn State's) Joe Paterno continuing to win. He's honest. Look at people like (Duke's) Steve Sloan building a program and (Alabama's) Ray Perkins, who's going for a national championship in a couple of years. They're honest. There are a lot of guys doing it right who are winning."

Says Wacker: "This past year was definitely a cleaner recruiting year than the one before. You just didn't run into as many kids with their hands out. You didn't feel you lost as many kids you thought were bought."

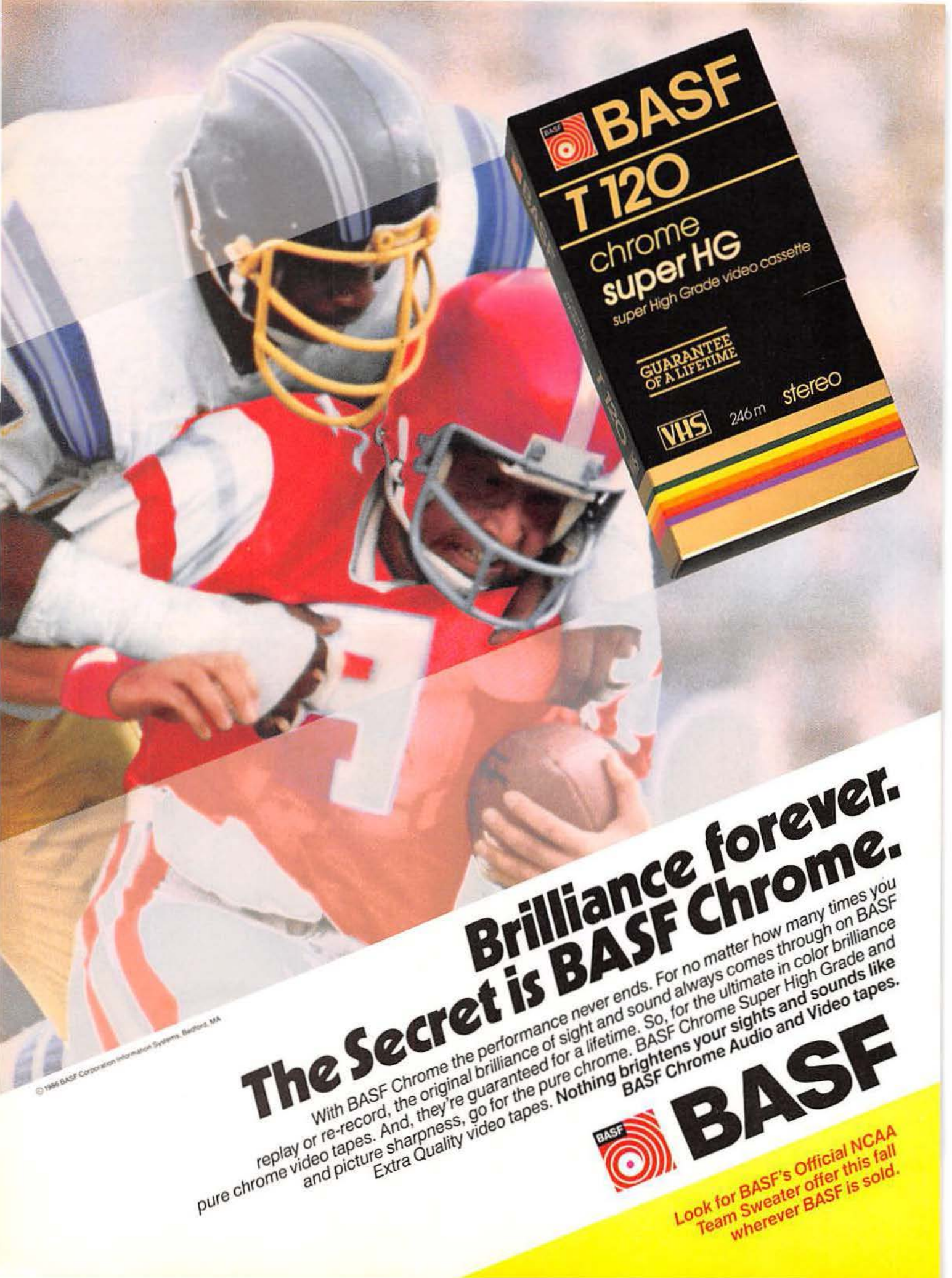
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Their Last Game

T by Jay Searcy

Those of us who never played college football may think we can imagine the thoughts that run through a player's mind as the days wind down before his last game.

No more practices. No more scabs on the nose or burns on the elbow. No more curfews. No more wind sprints, no more game film. No more coaches yelling insults. All that will soon be over.

There will be other goodbyes: the crowds, the cheerleaders, the bands, the headlines, the teammates, the trips.

Never again will he pull a college jersey over shoulder pads, run onto the field before worshipping fans while the band plays the fight song.

And when the final day arrives, he would surely remember the coach's last pep talk, the last tackle, the last pass, the last block, the very last play.

And wouldn't he look up into the packed stadium one more time and photograph it forever in memory?

Sorry to disillusion you but probably not. Many aren't at all sentimental about their farewell to college football and retain no special recollections of the occasion.

Otto Graham didn't. The 1943 All-America quarterback at Northwestern remembers absolutely nothing of his last college game—neither the team he played nor the two touchdowns he scored in a 53-6 rout of Illinois.

Jimmy Raye, quarterback on two of Michigan State's finest teams, recalls little. "We were just playing out the string (of a 3-7 season) in 1967," he says. "We won the game but there was no joy. Afterward in the locker room, I was aware that my college career had ended, but I was just eager to join my friends in the NFL."

But some do savor the day.

At the University of Hawaii, there is something called "The Senior Walk." When the Rainbow Warriors' last game is over, the seniors go to the locker room, take off their pads and return to walk around the stadium. They mingle with friends, they sign autographs, they wave to the crowd and they choke back the tears as the band plays a final tribute: *I'm Always Chasing Rainbows*. It's a time for much aloha, a word meaning hello, thank you, love and goodbye.

Here are some last-game memories.

This is Nu'u Faaola, running back, University of Hawaii, class of 1986. He is 22, 5-11, 210, a four-year letterman and one of only four backs at Hawaii to gain 1000 yards in a season. He grew up in Honolulu, and his family was at Aloha Stadium last Dec. 7 for his final game. It was against Brigham Young. The Cougars won 26-6.

"Most of the week before the game I didn't notice. But Friday night when I went to bed and I was looking up at the ceiling, I finally realized that this was the end of it. I thought about how far I had come, how it had been as a freshman and as a sophomore. I thought about how hard I had worked all those years, how hard I had trained. And I wondered what my next step would be. I didn't know. Then Saturday I thought about it more. 'Last game,' I thought. 'I'm

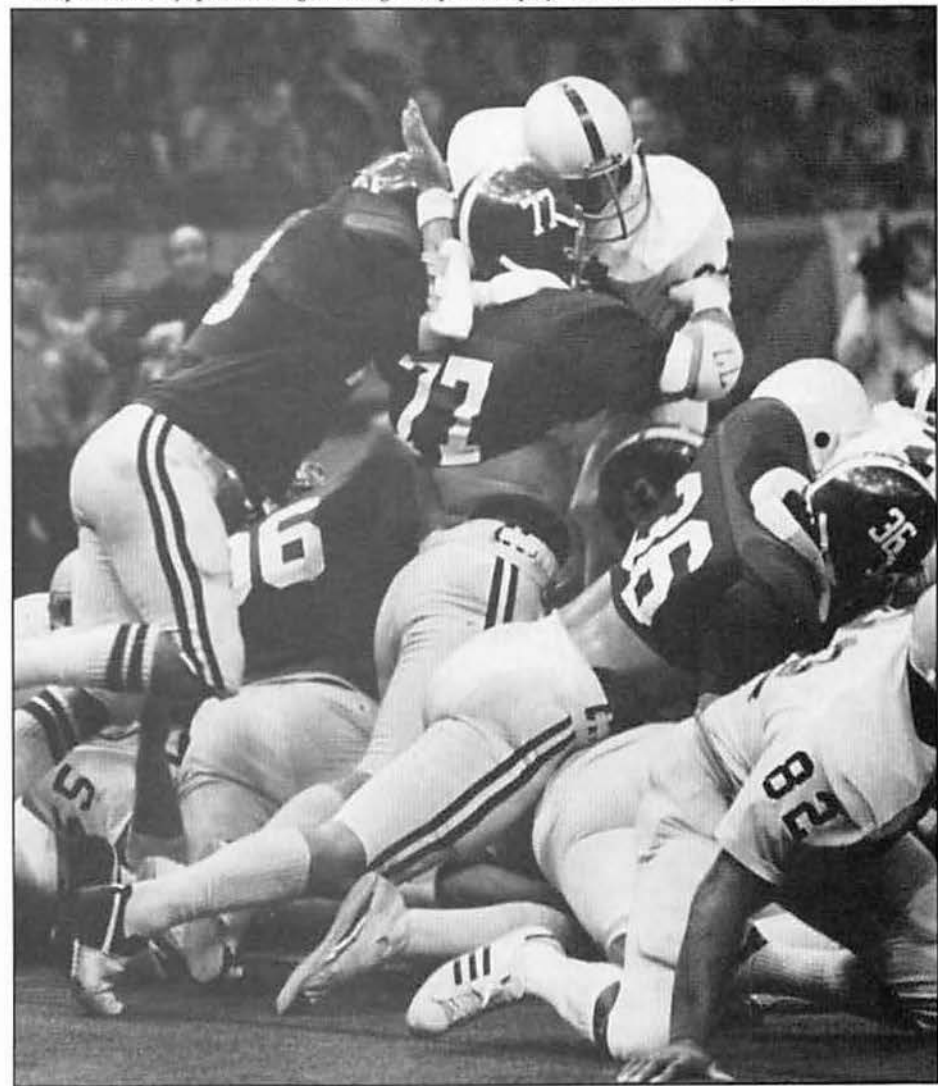
going to give it all I've got. Do my very best. For my family, my friends, for the coaches, for the school and for me.'

"But once I got to the locker room before the game, I never thought about it again. Everything was the game. It never entered my mind again until right at the end. The defense was on the field, and I was on the sideline standing next to Coach (Dick) Tomey. I looked at the clock, and as the last few seconds ticked away, I reached for his hand and we held hands as it came to an end. Then we hugged and went across the field to congratulate BYU on their victory and went inside for a meeting. It was short, maybe five minutes. Coach told us that BYU deserved to win that day but that we shouldn't look at the negative, that we should look at all the positive things we made happen.

"Then everybody started hugging everybody. We (seniors) went back out for the walk-around. Everybody was giving us leis, hugging us, and the band was playing. I cried. I noticed a lot of other tears, my teammates'. Some of the coaches were crying, too. It was a special day. I spent the rest of the day and night with my family."

This is Merlin Olsen, Hall of Fame tackle for Utah State, class of 1962. He was 6-5 and weighed 270 pounds then and later when he played for the Los Angeles Rams. He is slimmer now that he is an actor, television color commentator and product spokesman. He is 45, a native of Logan, Utah, and makes his home in New York. His final college game was on Dec. 21, 1961. Olsen and his Utah State teammates traveled to New York City for a
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Barry Krauss (77) of Alabama got a bang out of his last play—helmet to helmet for the national title.



(Last Game continued)

Polo Grounds battle with Baylor in the short-lived Gotham Bowl.

"Coming from a city of 24,000 people, and that included the college population, we were overwhelmed that week in New York City. I know the Utah State players had cricks in their necks from looking up.

"But somehow, the whole thing is recalled as a great disappointment. Here we are, Utah State and Baylor, playing in New York City in freezing cold weather, and no one in the entire city cared about the game at all. I mean, they might have come out to see the Giants play, but they certainly weren't going to sit in a near-empty Polo Grounds in that weather to see those two teams. They announced the attendance as 11,000, but they must have counted each fan several times.

"We spent the entire week before the game in New York, and for me there were an awful lot of distractions. I was a Look All-American, and the festivities for that were held then, too.

"Then I appeared on Howard Cosell's radio show. I've always regretted making that appearance, because Howard had persuaded me to go on his show instead of attending a White House reception. That reception was for the All-America team. It was given by President Kennedy and included as guests Gen. Douglas MacArthur, among others. But Howard had me convinced the show would be better for me in the long run. See, Howard was a great persuader even then.

"Coming out of the studio after the show, I ran into Sam Huff of the Giants. After being introduced, he looked me over and said, 'Tie on your shoes a little tighter, kid; you'll be playing with the big boys now.'

"We had a pretty good team, and we looked on our trip to New York as a chance to prove we were for real. People had been saying, 'Who are these Utah State people? Who have they played?' We hoped we would be able to show them against Baylor. But it was so bad I have forgotten the score (24-9).

"My reactions to that final game were probably a little different than those of my teammates. I had won the Outland Trophy as the outstanding interior lineman in the country, and I was well aware that I was going to play in the NFL. So perhaps I was anticipating that next stage of my career more than the game itself. But then again, I never took football too seriously anyway. It was always just a game to me."

This is Marchy Schwartz, 77, retired title insurance executive now living in Danville, Calif. He was a consensus All-America halfback in 1930 and 1931 at Notre Dame, class of '32. Knute Rockne was his coach until Rockne died in a plane crash on March 31, 1931. A part of Schwartz seemed to die with Rockne. The last game for Schwartz was against Army at Yankee Stadium, Nov. 28, 1931. Army upset the Fighting Irish 12-0 before 78,559.

"After playing for Rockne, it wasn't much fun playing for Hunk Anderson. Rockne was such an infectious person. A great man, a great leader. Hunk was his line coach, and it was best for Notre Dame to just put him in for a year or two, because it meant continuity. But it was a big, big contrast. I wasn't too intrigued with it. There wasn't the enthusiasm the way there was the year before. We had won 19 games in a row under Rockne, two national championships. So it was a letdown.

"The last game was Army, and I don't remember

much about it except that we got the hell beat out of us. I wasn't sentimental about it at all. I was just glad to get it over. I was in law school, and I just wanted to graduate and get into the world. I don't remember what the dressing room was like after it was over, and I don't know what anybody else was thinking. We never discussed it.

"I didn't want to play professional football, but (owner/coach) George Halas offered me a contract to play for the Chicago Bears. He offered me \$4,500 a season. I said, 'If you'll put \$30,000 in the bank in escrow, I'll play for three years.' He laughed at me and I laughed at him and that was the end of my football."

This is Barry Krauss, Alabama linebacker, class of '79. He's now a linebacker for the Indianapolis Colts. On the last play of his college career, Krauss made one of the most dramatic plays in football history. It was Alabama vs. Penn State, in the 1979 Sugar Bowl game. The winner would be national champion. It was fourth down for Penn State about an inch from the Crimson Tide's goal line with time running out. The Nittany Lions trailed 14-7. Chuck Fusina barked signals, handed off to Mike Guman and Guman dived for the end zone...

"I try not to look back, not to live in the past. But that was such a great moment, such an unbelievable feeling, such a turning point in my life that I can't seem to avoid it. People still send me pictures of that goal-line stand. I must have 30 or 40 photos from all sorts of angles, postcards, posters, etc. It was Alabama's last national championship and folks down there tend to remember those things.

"I'll tell you how I felt in the huddle before that play: scared. I was scared out of my mind. I remember praying to myself, 'Please don't let me mess up. Please let me fall into the runner. Let me get in the way.' I did have enough of my wits about me to tell

the guys in the huddle that it was gut-check time and that we just had to stop them.

"Penn State had called a timeout, and Fusina went over to talk on the sidelines with (Coach Joe) Paterno about the play they were going to run. We were all set on the goal line, just standing there. When Fusina walked back to his huddle, Marty Lyons (defensive lineman now with the Jets) called out, 'Hey, Fusina, you'd better pass.'

"Anyway, they ran a straight dive and I ran smack into Guman (helmet to helmet). I hit him so hard that my face mask broke, and I pinched a nerve in my neck. But, damn, I stopped him. After I hit him and I was laying there on my back, I looked at Lyons and asked, 'Did we stop them?' He said we did.

"Afterward, I was in such demand. I was named MVP of the game, my picture was on the cover of *Sports Illustrated*, the postseason games wanted me. It was a hectic period in my life. A week or so later it finally caught up with me. I was in Mobile for the Senior Bowl game, and I couldn't make it out of my hotel room. I couldn't hold any food down. I was weak and I was sick. I guess it was some sort of delayed reaction to it all, both psychologically and physically.

"I'm convinced that one play made me a higher draft choice (the Colts made him the sixth pick in the first round). I felt like Cinderella. I saved a national championship in the last game of my college career while playing for Bear Bryant at Alabama. I mean, come on, you're talking about a dream come true."

This is Ed Murphy, Holy Cross end, class of '43. He is 65, in his 40th year as head coach at Dracut (Mass.) High School, the longest tenure in New England scholastic history. He remains devoted to Holy Cross. Two of his four sons went there (David was the Holy Cross quarterback in the early '80s). His most lasting memory of college football is of his final game on Nov. 28, 1942, a monumental upset of nationally ranked rival Boston College. BC had out-scored opponents 249-19 and was headed for the Orange Bowl. Holy Cross was 4-4-1 entering the season finale.

"I remember that game as if it were yesterday. It was my last college game, and there was a great deal of built-up frustration on our part. We wanted to beat BC bad. They got all the ink. You'd pick up *The Boston Globe* or the *Boston Herald*, and all you'd read about was BC this and BC that. Why, one of those papers even went so far as to compare their team with the great Chicago Bears of those days. They were looking past us, no question. But what they failed to realize was that we were just starting to gel. We had a new coach that year (Anthony Scannlon), and he instituted the single wing. We had used the split-T, so it took us several games to get the new system under our belts. But once we had it down, we were ready for them.

"There was a feeling of confidence on our team before the game. I recall that we had some money left over, money that was used for team parties and things of that sort. Well, a couple of fellows on the team wanted to take that money and bet it on us, seeing as how we were 4-1 underdogs. But, as captain, I didn't feel it was wise to be betting on ourselves. We decided we'd have a party with the money, and a few weeks after the game we did, one hell of a party, too.

"All of New England was talking about the game, and Fenway Park was packed with more than

1930: Notre Dame's Marchy Schwartz carries.



40,000. We completely dominated them and won 55-12. I caught two touchdown passes and kicked seven of eight extra points. A book on great college football upsets recently picked that game as one of the greatest, and it sure was. Funny thing about that score, though. On the cover of the program for the game, which was printed a week earlier, there was a picture of me and the two BC captains, Fred Naumetz and Mike Holovak. Well, Holovak and Naumetz are standing real close and their numbers sort of run together. Their numbers are 55 and 12, the final score. An act of God, that's the way it was with everything surrounding that game, an act of God.

"After the game Bobby Murphy and I had dates, and we intended to celebrate in grand style. So we went back to the Parker House Hotel and showered and shaved and started to leave to pick up our dates and take them to the Coconut Grove nightclub for dinner and a show. Well, in the lobby we ran into a little guy in a brown derby hat, and he told us that the mayor of Boston was having a party upstairs for a lot of politicians. He wanted us to come on up. We could hardly refuse. When we got there, all that these people wanted to talk about was the game. We were passed from one politician to another. We couldn't get away. Anyway, we ended up staying there until 1 or 2 a.m., and that probably saved our lives because there was a fire at the Coconut Grove that night and hundreds of people (491) were killed. Two friends of ours had gone to the nightclub, and one ended up dead, the other badly burned. An underclassman on our team, Joe Boratyn, died there, too.

"There was so much confusion that the next day one of the papers said that the captains of the BC and Holy Cross teams died in the fire. I wanted to get back to Worcester and show everyone I wasn't dead, so I hopped on the first train I could get out of Boston. And who do you think was on that train with me? Freddie Naumetz, the BC captain. He wasn't dead, either. The BC team had planned a victory celebration at the Coconut Grove. They called it off. An act of God, that's what it was."

This is Lance McIlhenny, a quarterback for Southern Methodist, class of '84, who played his last game in the 1983 Sun Bowl against Alabama, in El Paso, Texas, on Dec. 24, 1983. He remembers it painfully because of the one-sided loss (28-7) but mostly because of the helplessness he felt. It was the last game for a quarterback who established the best winning percentage in the history of the Southwest Conference (34-3-1 going into the Sun Bowl in games he had started). This was the son of Don McIlhenny, former star halfback at SMU and a standout in the NFL. His family was in the crowd. They were always in the crowd. They never missed a game of his career from the fourth grade, not even the one in Japan. Today at 24 he is a partner in a development real estate firm in Dallas.

"It was a big game for me, because I was recruited by Alabama and I almost went there. We got drummed. I don't even remember the score. But to be honest, after the first quarter I was ready to go skiing. In fact, my brother was in Aspen and I joined him the day after the game.

"Football had always been fun for me. This game, this last game, was the only time it wasn't. By halftime it wasn't fun. I've always been one to think there's a chance to win. But at halftime I wasn't real sure we could, and my attention span was dwindling.

"Some of the players were emotional after the

game. I was not going to play football anymore, and so it was just a relief. We got beat so bad, it was awful. Our line wasn't blocking, I wasn't playing well. Our defense wasn't playing well. It was hopeless. Everybody on the sideline was just trying to keep warm and saying, 'Let's just get this thing over with.'

"After the game and after the ski trip and I came back to school, I went to class, but there was nothing to do afterward. It was kind of boring and I thought something was really missing. I didn't have any goal, any ambition to do anything or become anything. I started partying and just goofing off. Many college kids do that all the time, but it was something that I didn't get to do for four years. But one day I sat down and said, 'Hey, this is not how it's going to be.' I missed the discipline of football. It took awhile to adjust."

And this is Coach Jim Goostree, 56, now assistant athletic director, who was the trainer for all of Coach Paul "Bear" Bryant's football teams at Alabama. These are his memories of Bryant's last game, an emotion-filled 21-15 victory over Illinois in the Liberty Bowl at Memphis, Dec. 29, 1982.

"During the days leading up to the game, Coach Bryant was increasingly concerned about his staff and what might happen to them with a new coach coming in. I don't know whether he made any personal arrangements to help them. There wasn't much time, the way it turned out. It was only a month or so before he died.

"He didn't talk about my future. We had talked

about it some 26 or 27 years before that. I never had a contract with the university. The only contract I ever had was with Paul Bryant. He said as long as I liked him and he liked me, I had a job at Alabama as long as I wanted one. That's what I lived by.

"During those weeks of preparation before the Liberty Bowl, his decision-making didn't reflect that it was going to be his last game. I do know, looking back, that he knew more about himself than we did. He had had consultations (with doctors) that no one knew about, that precluded the possibility of having open-heart surgery. I don't think that any of us anticipated his death.

"I know he was extremely tired-looking the day after the game. I have a picture of him with a fan that was made the morning we left Memphis. The fan gave it to me. Coach Bryant looked really tired.

"When he got back after the game, there was a lot of business he took care of. He went two or three different places to see people. I don't know whether he thought that he was going to die or whether he just wanted to fulfill some obligations by visiting friends that he might not see for a while.

"Postgame activities in the dressing room were on a personal basis. He went around to every boy and coach. I'm sure he must have shaken the hands of 150 or so. There were a lot of tears in a lot of eyes. I feel sure there were tears in Coach Bryant's eyes, too. He shook my hand and hugged me and I hugged him. I'm sure we said something to each other but I don't recall what.

"I was hoping that Coach Bryant would finally get to do some things he had never done."

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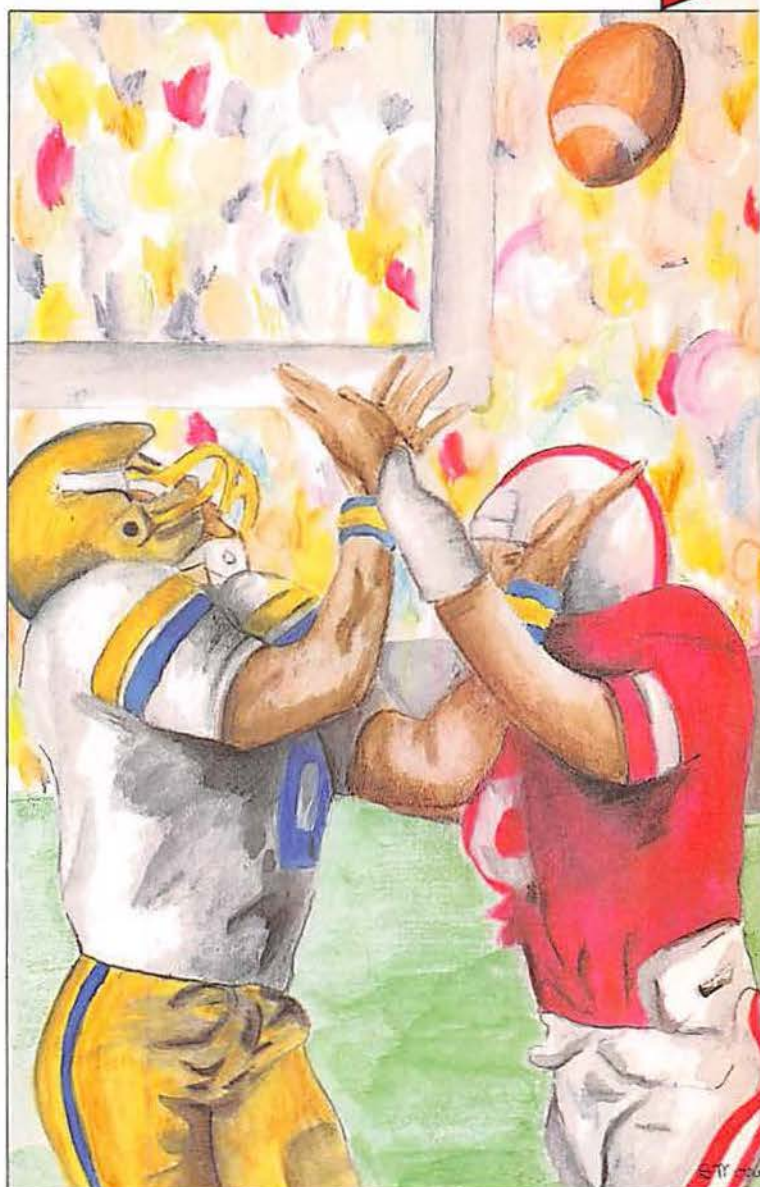
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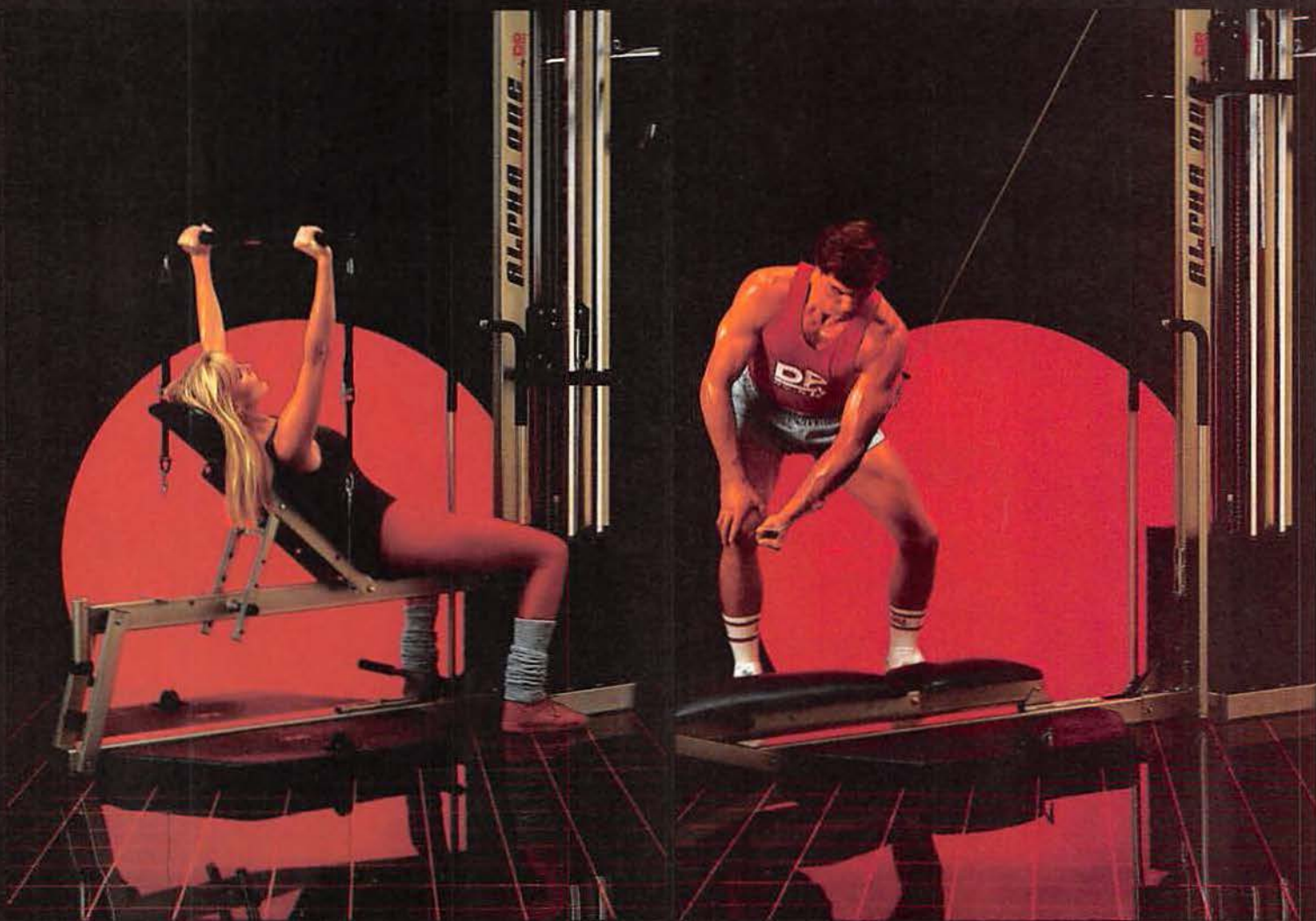
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COLORADO

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Cl.	Hometown
15	Beck, Steve	SS	5-11 190	Sr.	Pueblo, CO
58	Coleman, Bill	OT	6-4 230	Fr.	Thornton, CO
16	Collins, Jo Jo	SE	6-0 180	Jr.	Pomona, CA
1	Copeland, Morris	CB	5-9 165	Jr.	Miami, FL
69	Coyle, Eric*	OC	6-2 270	Sr.	Longmont, CO
70	Davis, Dean	OG	6-5 285	So.	Scottsbluff, NE
3	DeLine, Dave	PK	5-9 170	Jr.	Denver, CO
49	DeLuzio, Don*	ILB	6-2 220	Jr.	Arvada, CO
52	Dunn, Tom	OLB	6-3 245	Fr.	Las Vegas, NV
80	Embree, Jon*	TE	6-2 225	Sr.	Englewood, CO
85	English, Keith	TE-P	6-2 230	So.	Greeley, CO
35	Farrell, Jim	HB	6-1 185	Fr.	Anaheim, CA
78	Faulkner, Scott	OG	6-4 245	Fr.	Houston, TX
25	Ferrando, Drew	SE	5-11 185	Jr.	Menlo Park, CA
30	Fullmer, Derek	FS	6-1 180	Jr.	Boulder, CO
69	Gould, Greg	OG	6-6 245	Fr.	Colo. Spgs., CO
3	Hanna, Scott	FS	6-3 185	Fr.	St. Louis, MO
72	Harper, Tim	OT	6-5 275	Jr.	Kahoka, MO
66	Hartzler, Randy	OT	6-5 235	Fr.	Harrisonville, MO
6	Hatcher, Mark*	QB	6-0 190	Jr.	Pasadena, CA
83	Hayes, Cole	TE-P	6-4 230	Fr.	Las Vegas, NV
9	Helton, Barry*	P	6-3 185	Jr.	Simla, CO
59	Jones, Michael	ILB	6-1 220	Fr.	San Diego, CA
54	Jones, Terry	DT	6-4 215	Fr.	Aurora, CO
33	Kissick, Erich	HB	6-0 200	Fr.	Overland Park, KS
62	Kling, Dennis	OT	6-5 230	Fr.	Fort Collins, CO
96	Knight, Greg	DT	6-5 240	Fr.	Riverside, CA
95	Koch, Curt*	DT	6-7 260	Jr.	Littleton, CO
68	Lawrence, Bob	OG	6-3 255	So.	Evergreen, CO
20	Marquez, Mike	HB	5-11 185	Jr.	Arvada, CO
32	McCarthy, Eric	FB	6-1 220	Jr.	Boulder, CO
57	McCreary, Joe	OT	6-3 270	Jr.	Unionville, MO
10	Nairn, John*	FS	6-0 170	Jr.	Ann Arbor, MI
84	Pontilet, Keith	SE	6-1 170	Fr.	Anaheim, CA
19	Pruitt, Mickey*	SS	6-1 195	Jr.	Chicago, IL
45	Quackenbush, Jim	ILB	6-0 230	Jr.	Colo. Spgs., CO
87	Quartaro, Steve	TE	6-5 225	Fr.	Dallas, TX
91	Rappold, Kyle	NT	5-11 245	Jr.	Colo. Spgs., CO

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Cl.	Hometown
73	Rasmussen, Scott	DT	6-4 250	Jr.	Concord, CA
97	Reinhardt, Tom	OLB	6-2 215	So.	Littleton, CO
40	Remington, Barry*	ILB	6-4 225	Sr.	Boulder, CO
98	Robinson, Brad	NT	6-3 235	Fr.	Aurora, CO
4	Rogers, Rodney*	FS	6-0 180	Jr.	Houston, TX
79	Ryan, Pat*	OT	6-3 270	Jr.	Hyannis, MA
90	Schubeck, Darin*	OLB	6-2 205	Sr.	Lakewood, CO
66	Shinnick, Pete	OG	6-3 250	Jr.	Columbia, MO
36	Smith, Conley	OLB	6-2 210	Sr.	Tucson, AZ
74	Smith, Jim	DT	6-6 250	Jr.	Aurora, CO
34	Smith, Sam*	HB	6-2 205	Jr.	Aurora, CO
94	Stefan, Tim	NT	5-11 240	Jr.	Cleveland, OH
3	Strait, Alan	QB	6-1 185	Jr.	Denver, CO
28	Streeter, Tommy	CB	6-1 200	Jr.	Miami, FL
71	Symington, Chris*	OG	6-2 270	Jr.	Greenwich, CT
23	Tate, David	CB	6-1 180	Jr.	Denver, CO
44	Weatherspoon, A.*	FB	6-0 230	Jr.	La Habra, CA
7	Wheeler, Rick	QB	6-3 200	Jr.	Englewood, CO
29	Wilcots, Solomon*	CB	5-10 175	Sr.	Rubidoux, CA
77	Wilk, Paul	DT	6-3 255	Jr.	El Segundo, CA
41	Wolf, Troy	TE	6-3 210	Jr.	Arvada, CO

*Denotes Returning Starter: Offense (7); Defense (8); Kickers (1).

BUFFALO RECORDS

MOST YARDS RUSHING

Game: 342 Charlie Davis vs. Oklahoma St., 1971
Season: 1386 Charlie Davis, 1971
Career: 3172 Charlie Davis, 1971-73

MOST YARDS PASSING

Game: 361 Randy Essington vs. Nebraska, 1982
Season: 1432 Steve Vogel, 1984
Career: 3912 Steve Vogel, 1981-84

MOST PASSES CAUGHT

Game: 10 Ed Reinhardt vs. Michigan St., 1984
Season: 51 Jon Embree, 1984
Career: 118 Monte Huber, 1967-69

Longest Run: 95 Emerson Wilson vs. Kansas St., 1954
Longest Pass: 87 Z. Jordan to F. Bernardi vs. Kansas, 1952

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QUICK FACTS

1985 Record: 7-5-0; 4-3-0 T3rd Big 8
Head Coach: Bill McCartney (Colorado record: 14-30-1, Overall record: 14-30-1), Missouri '62
Offensive Coordinator: Gerry DiNardo, Notre Dame '75
Defensive Coordinator: Lou Tepper, Rutgers '66
Offense: Wishbone. Defense: 3-4
All-Star Candidates: P-Barry Helton, OC-Eric Coyle, TE-Jon Embree, SS-Mickey Pruitt, LB-Barry Remington, LB-Don DeLuzio.

1986 SIGNEES

Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Hometown
Aunese, Sal	QB	6-0 185	Vista, CA
Brown, Dave	OLB	6-2 215	Riverside, CA
Flannigan, J.J.	RB	5-11 185	Pomona, CA
Garten, Joe	OL	6-3 250	Placentia, CA
Gray, Lamarr	OC-LB	6-2 255	Pomona, CA
Harston, Pete	DL	6-6 240	Littleton, CO
Hutchins, Rob	LB	6-1 200	Colo. Spgs., CO
James, Tim	QB	6-3 195	San Dimas, CA
Johnson, Terry	LB	6-1 205	Kansas City, MO
McCloughan, Dave	RB-DB	6-0 175	Loveland, CO
Mullenburg, Darrin	OL	6-4 260	Lakewood, CO
Nelson, M.J.	RB-DB	5-10 155	Simi Valley, CA
Oliver, O.C.	RB	5-11 185	Houston, TX
Perak, John	TE	6-6 225	Sherman Oaks, CA
Rose, Paul	OLB	6-3 200	Littleton, CO
Salavea, Oakland	DL	6-6 235	Oceanside, CA
Simmons, Michael	RB-FB	5-9 190	Kirkwood, MO
Solomon, Ariel	DL	6-6 237	Boulder, CO
Vander Poel, Mark	OL	6-8 270	Chino, CA
Walker, Arthur	OLB-DL	6-5 235	Houston, TX
Walters, Marc	QB	6-2 180	Carson, CA
Young, Darrin	OLB	6-2 210	Commerce City, CO

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No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Cl.	Hometown
35	Anthony, Terrence*	CB	5-10 186	Sr.	E. St. Louis, IL
60	Barkley, Brian	OL	6-5 263	Fr.	Morris, IL
81	Benoit, Dave	TE	6-5 243	So.	Hawthorne Wds., IL
58	Benson, Scott	DT	6-3 246	Jr.	Omaha, NE
95	Berthussen, Bill*	DT	6-5 285	Fr.	Marshalltown, IA
51	Braswell, Jeff*	MLB	6-1 224	Fr.	Riviera Bch., FL
27	Buttz, Greg	FL	6-2 197	Sr.	Ankeny, IA
44	Cinefro, John	DE	6-2 213	So.	Clarendon Hls., IL
5	Colon, Kevin	SS	6-0 186	Sr.	Kansas City, KS
16	Crimmins, Scott	QB	6-3 202	So.	Lincoln, NE
19	DeGennaro, Derek	QB	6-3 198	Jr.	Ft. Lauderdale, FL
41	Dole, Jeff	FS	6-1 192	So.	Grundy Ctr., IA
43	Edwards, Don	DE	6-2 225	So.	Ft. Lauderdale, FL
11	Espinosa, Alex*	QB	6-1 192	Sr.	E. Los Angeles, CA
91	Ferguson, David	DE	6-4 241	Sr.	Richmond, CA
4	Frank, Rick	PK-P	6-1 207	Sr.	Cypress, CA
57	Gibson, Dennis*	OLB	6-3 240	Sr.	Ankeny, IA
40	Hackett, Bobby	DE	6-1 199	Jr.	Mt. Vernon, NY
78	Harris, Gene	OL	6-3 231	Jr.	Chicago Hgts., IL
72	Hayes, Casey	OG	6-0 260	Sr.	Atlantic, IA
33	Henderson, Joe	FB	6-0 200	So.	Chicago, IL
99	Henke, Brad	DT	6-3 262	Jr.	Littleton, CO
66	Heyn, David	C	6-1 249	So.	Iowa City, IA
61	Holm, Eric	OG	6-5 248	Fr.	Bloomington, MN
49	Hoskins, Anthony	LB	6-1 219	So.	Detroit, MI
62	Huhndorf, Eric*	OG	6-4 264	Sr.	Marion, IA
2	Jackson, Andrew*	TB	5-10 194	Sr.	Los Angeles, CA
63	Jasper, Vince*	OG	6-3 266	Sr.	Omaha, NE
67	Lawrence, Brett*	OT	6-3 257	Sr.	Springfield, OH
89	Lester, Marcus	TE	6-6 233	Fr.	Cincinnati, OH
90	Liter, Greg*	DT	6-6 266	Sr.	Mosinee, WI
93	Lomax, Johnny	DT	6-3 255	Jr.	Chicago, IL
22	Manning, Aaron	CB	5-11 174	Sr.	Jersey City, NJ
79	Martin, Dave	OT	6-6 287	Fr.	Williams Bay, WI
50	Mawdsley, C.*	C	6-3 274	Sr.	Algona, IA
87	Minor, Robbie	WR	6-0 192	Sr.	Hazelwood, MO
55	Moore, Chris	MLB	6-2 224	Jr.	Salt Lake City, UT
36	Nickerson, Sylvester	TB	5-10 205	Fr.	Miami, FL
53	Niggeling, Tim	LB	6-2 230	So.	Tama, IA

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Cl.	Hometown
47	Patten, Alan	DE	6-3 229	Jr.	Harlan, IA
17	Petersen, Bobby	QB	6-5 205	So.	Palatine, IL
74	Petrzelka, Anton	OT	6-5 264	Jr.	Cedar Rapids, IA
28	Pitts, Milton*	CB	6-0 189	Sr.	Pasadena, CA
32	Poprilo, Don	FB	5-11 205	Jr.	Inwood, NY
18	Reffner, Brian*	FS	6-0 185	Sr.	Hutchinson, KS
7	Rice, Daron	FL	5-11 175	So.	Flint, MI
59	Richards, Randy*	OLB	6-3 234	Sr.	Urbandale, IA
20	Rodgers, Marques	TB	6-3 230	So.	Joplin, MO
86	Ross, Dennis*	FL	6-3 194	So.	Detroit, MI
6	Sadek, Brett	QB	6-2 201	Jr.	Apple Valley, MN
80	Schrage, Keith	TE	6-3 240	Sr.	Parkersburg, IA
45	Shane, Mike	LB	6-2 200	So.	Converse, IN
23	Shelley, Terry	SS	6-0 200	Sr.	Pittsburgh, PA
69	Sims, Keith*	OT	6-3 307	So.	Watchung, NJ
64	Smith, John	C	6-2 251	Sr.	Manilla, IA
88	Stawniak, Tom	TE	6-5 249	Jr.	Omaha, NE
84	Suffren, Hughes*	WR	6-3 193	Jr.	Bonner Spgs., KS
31	Thibodeaux, Paul	TB	6-0 195	So.	Chicago, IL
98	Utes, Jeff	DT	6-5 246	So.	Stacy, MN
21	Welding, Chad	FS	6-6 197	So.	Sioux City, IA

*Denotes Returning Starter: Offense (9); Defense (8); Kickers (0).

CYCLONE RECORDS

MOST YARDS RUSHING

Game: 271 Dave Hoppman vs. Kansas St., 1961
Season: 1312 Dwayne Crutchfield, 1980
Career: 3757 Dexter Green, 1975-78

MOST YARDS PASSING

Game: 346 David Archer vs. Nebraska, 1983
Season: 2639 David Archer, 1983
Career: 4104 David Archer, 1982-83

MOST PASSES CAUGHT

Game: 16 T. Henderson vs. Kansas St., 1983
Season: 81 Tracy Henderson, 1983
Career: 150 Tracy Henderson, 1982-present

Longest Run: 98 Meredith Warner vs. Iowa Pre-Flight, 1943
Longest Pass: 89 Don Ferguson to Carl Paetz vs. Kansas, 1946

Information provided by Dave Starr, Sports Information Director.

QUICK FACTS

1985 Record: 5-6-0; 3-4-0 5th Big 8
Head Coach: Jim Criner (Iowa St. record: 11-20-2; Overall record: 70-41-3), Cal Poly-Pomona '61
Off. Coordinator: Gene Dahlquist, Arizona '65
Def. Coordinator: Phil Bennett, Texas A&M '77
Offense: Multiple-I/Pro Set. Defense: 4-3
All-Star Candidates: WR-Hughes Suffren, OG-Vince Jasper, LB-Dennis Gibson, CB-Terrence Anthony.

1986 SIGNEES

Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Hometown
Baker, Tim	DB	6-2 190	Grundy Ctr., IA
Blankenship, Joe	DB	6-1 175	Detroit, MI
*Brown, Eddie	WR	5-10 170	Topeka, KS
Brown, Michael	RB	5-7 160	Cincinnati, OH
Busch, Mike	TE-DE	6-5 220	Eldridge, IA
*Dabney, Robert	DE	6-4 220	St. Louis, MO
Day, Kelley	OL	6-3 275	Apple Valley, MN
Doering, Pete	LB	6-4 210	Mason City, IA
*Dozier, John	DB	5-10 180	E. St. Louis, IL
*Green, John	RB	6-0 196	Lansing, MI
Hunter, Kent	LB	6-3 215	Wheeling, IL
Kamies, Mark	QB	6-2 200	Sheldahl, IA
Kiska, Tom	FB	6-2 212	Bolingbrook, IL
Mahoney, Craig	TE	6-3 215	Mason City, IA
Mitchell, Ben	OT	6-4 280	Detroit, MI
Mussman, Chris	OL	6-5 245	Owatonna, MN
Nordland, Andy	OT	6-3 245	Clarinda, IA
*Sandbloom, Ken	DT	6-5 255	Fountain Valley, CA
*Schulting, Tom	WR	5-11 176	Walnut Creek, CA
*Serina, Paul	DE	6-2 232	Agoura, CA
Shudak, Jeff	K-P	5-10 165	Council Bluffs, IA
*Taliaui, David	WR	6-0 165	Salt Lake City, UT
Trieb, Darrin	LB	6-2 210	Chicago, IL
*Warren, Curtis	RB	6-0 200	Gardena, CA
*Watson, Clark	DB	6-1 215	Los Angeles, CA
*Welles, Ricky	OL	6-3 265	San Bernardino, CA
Williams, Eugene	OL	6-2 288	Omaha, NE

* denotes junior college transfer

KANSAS

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Cl.	Hometown
68	Allen, Jay	OG	6-4	230 So.	Wichita, KS
90	Avery, Eldridge*	NT	6-3	255 Jr.	Carson, CA
6	Baker, John	QB	6-4	210 Fr.	Boonville, IN
45	Barrow, Carlos	LB	6-2	215 So.	Homestead, FL
1	Berry, Derek	CB	6-3	195 Jr.	E. St. Louis, IL
3	Berry, Tony	CB	6-1	175 Sr.	E. St. Louis, IL
25	Bredesen, Rick*	LB	6-1	230 Jr.	Overland Park, KS
13	Bryant, Vince	QB	6-2	205 Fr.	Hutchinson, KS
34	Caldwell, Ronnie	WR	6-0	185 Jr.	Wichita, KS
52	Carlson, Scott	DE	6-6	230 So.	Beatrice, NE
33	Clayton, Rick	LB	6-3	215 So.	Arvada, CO
29	Cohn, Dave	FB	5-11	210 Sr.	Shawnee Msn., KS
70	Davis, Jim*	P	6-6	260 Jr.	Leawood, KS
86	Dickerson, Rob*	OT	6-2	175 Sr.	Pretty Prairie, KS
26	Diggs, Johnny	LB	6-0	190 So.	Swedesboro, NJ
12	Eanes, C.J.	DB	5-9	170 Jr.	Salina, KS
91	Forte, Phil*	DE	6-3	240 Sr.	Raytown, MO
58	Foster, Rob	C	6-0	240 Jr.	Lawrence, KS
75	Gaffen, Mitch	OG	6-3	245 Jr.	San Marcos, CA
61	Gamble, Guy	DE	6-3	245 Sr.	Compton, CA
16	Garner, Milt*	CB	5-11	180 Jr.	Kansas City, KS
10	Granderson, Johnny	CB	6-2	190 So.	Kansas City, MO
9	Harder, Kevin	FS	6-2	185 Sr.	Lenexa, KS
43	Henderson, Mark	FB	6-0	210 Sr.	Lawrence, KS
39	Henson, Stacy	LB	6-1	235 Jr.	Kansas City, MO
65	Howard, Bryan*	OT	6-5	250 Sr.	Woodland Hills, CA
64	Isham, Steve	OG	6-4	260 Jr.	Aurora, CO
27	Johnson, Anthony	TB	6-0	180 Sr.	Wichita, KS
37	Keeler, Eric	LB	6-1	200 So.	Salina, KS
72	Lacey, Von	OT	6-5	270 Jr.	Okla. City, OK
2	Lofton, Jundra	DB	5-10	165 Jr.	Dallas, TX
50	Long, Mike	LB	6-0	192 So.	Kansas City, MO
32	Mattox, Marvin	SS	6-4	205 Jr.	Pomona, CA
92	Nave, Steve*	DT	6-2	244 Sr.	Coffeyville, KS
15	Orth, Mike	QB	6-5	195 Jr.	Liberal, KS
54	Oswald, Paul*	C	6-4	260 Sr.	Topeka, KS
84	Parks, Mark	TE	6-5	220 Jr.	Hiawatha, KS
71	Pieper, Bob*	OT	6-5	270 Sr.	Morrison, CO
66	Popovich, Pete	C	6-5	235 Jr.	Youngstown, OH

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Cl.	Hometown
11	Quick, Tom	WR	6-4	190 Sr.	Lee's Summit, MO
49	Randolph, John*	LB	6-1	230 Sr.	Kansas City, MO
88	Ray, Murphy	WR	6-1	180 Jr.	Struthers, OH
24	Rogers, Mike	TB	6-1	180 Jr.	Smith Center, KS
14	Santos, Robby	QB	6-4	210 Jr.	Selma, CA
74	Shannon, Jim	OG	6-5	250 So.	Arvada, CO
41	Shields, Warren	LB	6-0	200 So.	Kansas City, KS
48	Smith, David	DT	6-3	225 So.	Johnson, KS
23	Steinhauser, Jamey	SS	6-0	195 Sr.	Lawrence, KS
98	Stewart, Jon	DE	6-4	230 Jr.	San Jose, CA
17	Van Dyne, Chase	K	6-2	200 Sr.	Shawnee Msn., KS
19	Vaughn, Willie*	WR	6-0	180 So.	Kansas City, KS
89	Wedel, Brad	TE	6-5	205 Jr.	Canton, KS
79	Werner, Mike	OT	6-5	240 Jr.	Topeka, KS
55	Williams, Darnell*	LB	6-2	228 Sr.	Kansas City, KS
85	Yarnell, Lyndall	DT	6-2	209 Sr.	Topeka, KS
18	Ziegler, Wayne*	S	6-2	190 Sr.	Nickerson, KS

*Denotes Returning Starter: Offense (5); Defense (8); Kickers (1).

JAYHAWK RECORDS

MOST YARDS RUSHING

Game: 294 Nolan Cromwell vs. Oregon St., 1975
Season: 1181 Laverne Smith, 1974
Career: 3192 Laverne Smith, 1973-76

MOST YARDS PASSING

Game: 480 Mike Norseth vs. Vanderbilt, 1985
Season: 2995 Mike Norseth, 1985
Career: 6410 Frank Seurer, 1980-83

MOST PASSES CAUGHT

Game: 10 Bob Johnson vs. Kansas St., 1983
Season: 70 Richard Estell, 1985
Career: 117 Richard Estell, 1982-85

Longest Run: 99 Gale Sayers vs. Nebraska, 1963
Longest Pass: 97 Bill Fenton to Willie Ray Smith vs. Texas Tech, 1965

Information provided by Doug Vanco, Sports Information Director.

QUICK FACTS

1985 Record: 6-6-0; 2-5-0 6th Big 8.
Head Coach: Bob Valesente (Kansas record: 0-0-0; Overall record: 0-0-0, Ithaca '82.
Offensive Coordinator: Bob Valesente.
Defensive Coordinator: Dave Dunkleberger, Cincinnati '83.
Offense: Multiple. Defense: 4-3.
All-Star Candidates: LB-Rick Bredesen, OT-Jim Davis, QB-Mike Orth, DE-Phil Forte, OT-Bob Pieper.

1986 SIGNEES

Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Hometown
*Bishop, Steve	OT	6-6 285	Barrington, IL
*Brown, Mark	DB	6-2 215	Las Vegas, NV
Budde, Chip	OL	6-2 235	Lawrence, KS
Cohane, Bryan	OG	6-4 240	Boca Raton, FL
Davidson, Dru	LB	6-2 225	Johnson, KS
Davis, John	RB	6-2 230	Laurinburg, NC
Dinnel, Mike	LB	6-4 230	Commerce City, CO
Donohoe, Kelly	QB	6-1 180	Harrisonville, MO
*Fisher, Mike	CB	5-10 180	La Puente, CA
Golden, Darryl	DL	6-5 265	Junction City, KS
Gordon, David	LB	6-4 220	Independence, KS
*Harris, Rodney	WR	5-11 180	Chicago, IL
Hinkle, Brad	DB	6-3 175	Olathe, KS
Jordan, Tracy	TE	6-4 215	Denver, CO
*Ledford, Tim	RB	6-0 235	Chino, CA
*Newman, Teddy	DE	6-4 240	Las Vegas, NV
Pawlak, Brian	OT	6-5 230	Prospect Hgts., IL
*Samuel, Peda	WR	5-9 160	Iola, KS
*Schriener, Scott	RB	5-10 195	Lenexa, KS
Smith, Quintin	WR	5-11 175	Houston, TX
*Snell, Arnold	RB	6-0 200	Mt. Vernon, NY
Stoppel, Craig	OL	6-5 225	Lawrence, KS
Sutter, Bill	DB	5-10 185	Lawrence, KS
Walton, Dave	DL	6-7 225	Sioux City, IA
*White, David	DE	6-5 250	Junction City, KS

* denotes junior college transfer
** denotes major college transfer

KANSAS STATE

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Cl.	Hometown
66	Bazil, Dewayne	LB	6-3	200 Fr.	Galveston, TX
63	Bessert, Bob*	OG	6-2	273 Sr.	Reedsburg, WI
47	Castille, Dwayne*	LB	6-0	223 Jr.	Wichita, KS
44	Christlieb, Craig	CB	5-9	170 Sr.	Hoisington, KS
48	Cotton, Brent	SS	6-3	205 Jr.	Smith Ctr., KS
61	Curry, Brian	OG	6-2	249 So.	Prairie Vlg., KS
	Darbyshire, Jon	DB	6-2	195 Jr.	Haysville, KS
80	Dean, Kent*	TE	6-4	224 Jr.	Derby, KS
9	Demby, Reggie	RB	5-10	190 So.	Lawrence, KS
79	Dimel, Dana	OT	6-4	282 Sr.	Columbus, OH
92	Drouillard, Jeff	LB	6-4	239 Sr.	St. George, KS
74	Dvorak, Rocky*	OT	6-5	279 Sr.	Chadron, NE
23	Easterwood, Robt.	CB	6-2	180 So.	Kansas City, KS
8	Elder, Todd*	QB	6-3	195 Jr.	Tulsa, OK
21	Faunce, Troy*	P	6-2	180 Sr.	Holt, MO
70	Faulkner, Chad	OL	6-2	235 Fr.	Wichita, KS
60	Gaur, Matt	OG	6-4	266 Sr.	Corydon, IA
41	Godinet, Randall	TE	6-3	218 Jr.	Oceanside, CA
	Goldner, Dan	LB	6-3	220 Jr.	Chesterfield, MO
56	Goode, Rob	C	6-2	230 So.	Manhattan, KS
82	Hamilton, Fred	WR	6-1	190 Fr.	Cleveland, TX
84	Harshberger, Gary	TE	6-2	221 Jr.	Minneapolis, KS
31	Henry, Maurice	RB	6-1	190 Fr.	Salina, KS
75	Hughes, Dan	WR	5-10	175 Jr.	Overland Pk., KS
98	Humphrey, Kevin*	DT	6-3	238 Sr.	Wichita Falls, TX
93	Hurd, Jeffery*	DE	6-2	246 Sr.	Kansas City, MO
35	Hutchins, Alfred	LB	6-1	195 So.	Dallas, TX
29	Jordan, Tony	TB	6-3	209 Jr.	Rochester, NY
19	Koch, Randy	CB	6-0	193 So.	Marysville, KS
43	Kruger, David	K	5-10	170 Fr.	Topeka, KS
4	Lambert, Brad*	CB	5-10	175 Jr.	Hoxie, KS
28	Lewis, Rick	FB	6-2	218 Jr.	Scott City, KS
38	Lowe, Jeff	SS	6-0	185 Fr.	Irving, TX
58	MacDonald, Tim*	NC	6-3	234 Jr.	Leawood, KS
11	Mallory, Steve	QB	5-10	175 Fr.	Topeka, KS
85	Miller, Brad	TE	6-5	210 So.	Riley, KS
	Miller, Rick	CB	5-11	195 Sr.	Winfield, KS
27	Moody, Todd*	TB	6-2	200 Sr.	Ashland, KS
34	Newton, Grady	DE	6-1	223 Jr.	Bonner Sprgs., KS

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Cl.	Hometown
78	Oehm, Jim	DT	6-2	235 So.	Marysville, KS
1	Porter, Mark*	K	6-0	186 Fr.	Salina, KS
	Quigley, Dewayne	OL	6-3	240 Fr.	Grand Prairie, TX
	Richards, Donnie	DB	5-10	175 Fr.	Rochester, NY
	Richards, Terry	RB	5-11	185 Fr.	Rochester, NY
15	Schrag, Andy	FS	5-11	184 So.	Kingman, KS
20	Scott, Dimitrie	DB	6-0	180 So.	Cleveland, TX
22	Smith, Chris	DE	6-0	205 Fr.	Dallas, TX
91	Stansell, Roderick	DL	6-2	250 Fr.	Dallas, TX
	Taylor, Duff	DB	6-2	180 Fr.	Topeka, KS
	Tolbert, Lawrence	FL	6-2	195 So.	Garden City, KS
95	Wallace, David	LB	6-1	214 Jr.	Vero Beach, FL
59	Wallerstedt, Matt	LB	5-10	217 Jr.	Manhattan, KS
7	Welch, John	QB	6-1	203 Sr.	Cedar Vale, KS
25	Wentzel, Mark	RB	5-9	175 So.	Manhattan, KS
57	White, Scott	LB	6-2	225 Jr.	Sarasota, FL
72	Williams, Ed	OL	6-3	230 Fr.	Galveston, TX
5	Williams, Randy*	QB	6-2	206 Jr.	Jacksonville, FL
24	Wilson, Ray*	FB	6-1	206 Jr.	McPherson, KS

*Denotes Returning Starter: Offense (7); Defense (5); Kickers (2).

WILDCAT RECORDS

MOST YARDS RUSHING

Game: 200 L.J. Brown vs. Air Force, 1979
Season: 1137 Isaac Jackson, 1973
Career: 2182 Isaac Jackson, 1971-73

MOST YARDS PASSING

Game: 439 Lynn Dickey vs. Colorado, 1969
Season: 2476 Lynn Dickey, 1969
Career: 6208 Lynn Dickey, 1968-70

MOST PASSES CAUGHT

Game: 12 Mack Herron vs. Colorado, 1969
Season: 57 John Goerger, 1972
Career: 127 Dave Jones, 1966-68

Longest Run: 96 Gerald Hackney vs. Kansas, 1948
Longest Pass: 95 L. Brown to F. Starns vs. Colorado, 1951

Information provided by Duane DaPron, Sports Information Director.

QUICK FACTS

1985 Record: 1-10-0; 1-6-0 7th Big 8.
Head Coach: Stan Parrish (Kansas St. record: 0-0-0; Overall record: 55-11-2), Heidelberg '88.
Defensive Coordinator: Jerry Hartman, Michigan '89.
Offensive Coordinator: Ken Bowman, Gettysburg '84.
Offense: Pro-set. Defense: "50."
All-Star Candidates: DE-Jeff Hurd, P-Troy Faunce, OG-Bob Bessert.

1986 SIGNEES

Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Hometown
Ally, Mark	WR	6-1 190	San Bernardino, CA
Amos, Allen	LB	6-2 200	Atlanta, GA
Blades, Eric	WR	6-0 170	Valdosta, GA
*Brown, Clark	RB	5-10 180	Riverside, CA
Cobb, Chris	QB	6-3 190	Dallas, TX
Covington, Brian	DB	5-9 170	Winter Haven, FL
*Cowings, Todd	WR	6-0 180	Fresno, CA
Fleming, Shawn	OL	6-4 255	Huntington Bch, CA
Giles, Troy	RB	6-1 195	Passaic, NJ
*Halliburton, Willie	DB	6-1 190	Kansas City, KS
*Hanson, Tim	QB	6-1 190	Westminster, CA
Harper, Eric	DB-QB	6-2 195	Denison, TX
Herds, Tyreese	DB	6-0 185	Tampa, FL
Mears, Rick	OL	6-5 265	Auburndale, FL
Miller, Marcus	WR-DB	6-0 170	Miami, FL
Pacchioli, Bob	OL	6-4 260	Easton, PA
*Poague, David	DB	6-1 190	Salina, KS
Proctor, Herman	OL	6-5 295	Somerville, NJ
Seitzinger, Tom	OL	6-3 265	Schuykill Haven, PA
Straw, Carl	QB	6-1 200	Fair Lawn, NJ
Taylor, Arthur	DL	6-4 240	Denison, TX
*Walters, Vic	WR	6-2 175	Oakland, CA
Whittle, Lorne	LB	6-3 210	Riverside, CA
*Williams, John	WR	6-0 180	Lakeland, FL

* denotes junior college transfer

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73	Bax, Carl	C	6-5	242 So.	St. Charles, MO
71	Beaudean, Marland	DE	6-5	254 Jr.	Sikeston, MO
41	Boyd, Vernon	RB	5-8	183 Sr.	Camden, NJ
15	Cameron, Ronnie	QB	6-1	191 So.	E. St. Louis, IL
	Character, Maurice	OLB	6-1	209 Jr.	San Francisco, CA
70	Cathcart, Cory	ILB	6-1	228 Sr.	St. Joseph, MO
74	Chapura, Dick*	DE	6-3	273 Sr.	Sarasota, FL
77	Clay, John*	OT	6-5	270 Sr.	St. Louis, MO
82	Close, Joe*	TE	6-5	235 Sr.	Springfield, MO
20	Cook, Brent	QB	6-2	189 Fr.	Moore, OK
	Cross, Jeff	DE	6-4	241 Jr.	Blythe, CA
58	Darling, Darryl*	NT	6-2	250 So.	Hallandale, FL
	Delpino, Robert	WR	6-0	194 Jr.	Wichita, KS
45	Esson, Ed	FB	5-11	236 Sr.	Oxford, CT
	Grossich, Darin	NT	6-3	232 Jr.	Colton, CA
	Hagens, Kevin	WR	5-8	150 Fr.	St. Louis, MO
	Holmes, Jesse	CB	5-10	170 Fr.	St. Louis, MO
	Jensen, Chris	FB	6-2	232 So.	Marshall, MO
12	Johnson, Herbert	WR	5-11	183 Sr.	Fulton, MO
98	Johnson, Lee	ILB	6-1	249 Fr.	Florissant, MO
94	Justis, Gary	OLB	6-2	225 Sr.	Farmington, NM
13	King, Kenny	CB	5-11	183 So.	E. St. Louis, IL
7	Lammers, Craig	WR	5-9	165 So.	Jefferson City, MO
64	Lock, Andy	OT	6-4	254 Fr.	Carrollton, MO
78	Lockwood, Dal*	C	6-6	261 Sr.	Colorado Spgs., CO
21	Long, Stan*	WS	6-0	175 So.	Berkeley, MO
52	Lowe, Chris	OG	6-2	274 So.	Sikeston, MO
55	MacDonald, Darren	ILB	6-1	203 Fr.	Ellisville, MO
24	McKinney, Cordell*	CB	5-10	184 So.	E. St. Louis, IL
96	McMillan, Erik*	SS	6-2	191 Jr.	Silver Spring, MD
19	Mitchell, Ron	WS	6-0	186 Jr.	Orlando, FL
16	Mitchell, Scott	SS	6-3	189 Fr.	St. Louis, MO
28	Moore, Victor*	WR	5-10	181 Jr.	Bixby, OK
83	Murphy, Charles	WR	6-1	191 Fr.	Hollywood, FL
1	Overshown, Patrick	WR	5-11	161 So.	Houston, TX
	Peterson, Brent	TE	6-4	224 Sr.	Story City, IA
69	Petty, Phil*	OG	6-4	274 Sr.	Kenosha, WI
76	Plosser, Mike	OT	6-6	273 So.	St. Louis, MO
23	Ray, Pat	CB	5-10	175 So.	Butler, MO

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Cl.	Hometown
29	Redd, Jon	RB	5-9	205 Sr.	Mayfield, KY
30	Reeves, Brian	OLB	6-2	200 Fr.	Overland Pk., KS
60	Rigman, Jeff*	OG	6-2	268 Jr.	Manchester, MO
48	Riley, Cameron	SS	6-0	194 Sr.	Metropolis, IL
	Romney, Ted	OT	6-4	271 Sr.	Hackensack, NJ
	Schreiber, Phil	C	6-3	249 Jr.	Kokomo, IN
99	Scott, Michael*	FB	6-5	270 Sr.	St. Louis, MO
18	Shepherd, Rodney	CB	5-9	181 Jr.	Hampton, VA
49	Sherrill, Bo*	OLB	6-3	234 Sr.	Rolla, MO
31	Stowers, Tommy	RB	6-3	200 Fr.	Kansas City, MO
27	Toben, Ron	SS	6-0	178 Jr.	Villa Ridge, MO
32	Vandegrift, Steve*	OLB	6-5	243 So.	Grandview, MO
34	Vestweber, Mike*	ILB	6-2	224 Sr.	Manhattan, KS
92	Vollet, Scott	DE	6-7	255 Sr.	St. Louis, MO
40	Walker, Terry*	ILB	6-0	211 So.	Jefferson City, MO
43	Wallace, Darrell*	RB	5-7	162 Jr.	Ft. Campbell, KY
	Washington, David	OG	6-2	237 Fr.	Kansas City, MO
3	Whelihan, Thomas*	P-K	5-10	188 Jr.	Carrollton, TX
79	White, Kevin	DE	6-4	254 Fr.	Arnold, MO
	Wilson, Curtis	C	6-3	255 Jr.	Ponca City, OK

*Denotes Returning Starter: Offense (8); Defense (9); Kickers (1).

TIGER RECORDS

MOST YARDS RUSHING

Game: 240 Harry Ice vs. Kansas, 1941
Season: 1312 Joe Moore, 1969
Career: 2357 James Wilder, 1978-80

MOST YARDS PASSING

Game: 371 Steve Pisarkiewicz vs. Okla. St., 1975
Season: 1963 Terry McMillan, 1969
Career: 5352 Phil Bradley, 1977-80

MOST PASSES CAUGHT

Game: 9 John Henley vs. Oklahoma, 1970
Season: 49 Herbert Johnson vs. Kansas, 1985
Career: 101 Andy Gible, 1979-82

Longest Run: 95 Harry Ice vs. Iowa St., 1941
Longest Pass: 98 Pete Woods to Joe Stewart vs. Nebraska, 1976

Information provided by Bob Brendel, Sports Information Director.

QUICK FACTS

1985 Record: 1-10-0; 1-6-0 77th Big 8.
Head Coach: Woody Widenhofer (Missouri record: 1-10-0; Overall record: 1-10-0), Missouri '65.
Offensive Coordinator: Bill Meyers, Stanford '71.
Defensive Coordinator: Jim McKinley, W. Michigan '66.
Offense: Pro-Set.
Defense: 3-4.
All-Star Candidates: DE-Dick Chapura, OT-John Clay, RB-Darrell Wallace, WR-Herbert Johnson, SS-Erik McMillan.

1986 SIGNEES

Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Hometown
Bruton, Tim	TE	6-5 222	Houston, TX
*Clayborne, Malcolm	LB	6-2 225	Houston, TX
Decker, Jon	DE	6-6 245	Owensville, MO
Dryden, Rob	OT	6-9 305	St. Charles, MO
Fletcher, Jerold	LB	6-2 205	Bonner Spgs., KS
*Johnson, Bryan	DE	6-4 238	Houston, TX
Jones, Adrian	DB	6-0 175	Hollywood, FL
Keough, Mark	DE	6-7 245	St. Louis, MO
Linthicum, Larry	TE-LB	6-7 225	Bethany, MO
Logan, Mike	QB	6-4 220	Fulton, MO
Mueller, Chad	FB-LB	6-2 210	Belleville, IL
*Olivier, Rich	TE	6-3 235	Daly City, CA
Paloucek, Dennis	DB	6-2 200	LaGrange, IL
Pattera, Craig	QB-FS	6-1 180	Green Bay, WI
Pointer, Ronald	WR	6-0 170	St. Louis, MO
Richardson, Mark	OG	6-3 250	Miami, FL
Sadler, Sean	QB	6-3 215	Joplin, MO
Scott, Pete	C	6-5 265	Decatur, IL
*Stinson, Amar	LB	6-3 215	Houston, TX
Trumbull, Rick	OT	6-6 270	St. Louis, MO
VanZant, Tony	RB	6-2 190	Florissant, MO
Walters, Ron	LB	6-3 225	Blue Springs, MO

* denotes junior college transfer

NEBRASKA

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Cl.	Hometown
87	Banderas, Tom	TE	6-2	225 Jr.	Oak Grove, MO
12	Blakeman, Clete	QB	6-1	190 Jr.	Norfolk, NE
33	Brinson, Dana	WB	5-9	170 So.	Valdosta, GA
42	Carl, Mike	CB	5-11	180 Sr.	Gretna, NE
73	Carpenter, Todd	OT	6-6	305 Sr.	Grand Island, NE
45	Carr, Chris	S	6-2	195 Sr.	Wellfleet, NE
24	Casterline, Dan	FB	5-10	200 Sr.	Evergreen, CO
31	Chealey, Gene	M	5-10	175 Jr.	Orlando, FL
7	Clayton, M.*	QB	6-0	195 Jr.	Orlando, FL
54	Cooper, Mark	C	6-1	245 Sr.	Lincoln, NE
28	Custard, John	CB	5-8	170 Jr.	Bellevue, NE
23	Davis, Brian*	CB	6-3	195 Sr.	Phoenix, AZ
22	DuBose, Doug*	IB	5-11	190 Sr.	Uncasville, CT
47	Etienne, LeRoy	LB	6-1	235 So.	New Iberia, LA
38	Forch, Steve	LB	6-2	230 Sr.	Lincoln, NE
4	Fryar, Charles	CB	5-10	170 So.	Burlington, NJ
67	Galois, Ron	OG	6-0	265 Sr.	Lincoln, NE
86	Gamble, Jason	SE	5-11	175 Jr.	Santa Barbara, CA
52	Groskurth, Danny	DT	6-4	240 Jr.	Beemer, NE
82	Hawkins, Hendley	SE	5-10	180 Jr.	Los Angeles, CA
48	Heibel, Micah	FB	6-2	200 Jr.	Lincoln, NE
39	Henning, Blake	LB	6-0	220 Jr.	Crete, NE
75	Hoefler, Mike	OG	6-5	245 Sr.	Norfolk, NE
91	Holloway, Tony	DE	6-2	205 Sr.	Bellevue, NE
55	Jobman, Randy	DE	6-3	225 So.	Lisco, NE
64	Johnson, Brad	OT	6-3	275 Sr.	Ralston, NE
6	Jones, Keith	IB	5-10	185 Jr.	Omaha, NE
98	Jones, Lee	DT	6-1	230 Jr.	Omaha, NE
49	Kaelin, Ken	FB	5-10	215 Sr.	Westerville, NE
40	Kelley, Jon	IB	6-1	200 Jr.	Lincoln, NE
1	Klein, Dale*	K	6-1	195 Sr.	Seward, NE
34	Knox, Tyreese	FB	5-10	215 So.	Daly City, CA
	Kroeker, John	P	5-11	180 So.	Henderson, NE
57	Lightner, Keven	OG	6-2	280 Jr.	Hastings, NE
77	Macias, Bill	OT	6-4	250 Jr.	Huntington Bch., CA
72	Maggard, Rob	OT	6-3	265 Sr.	Olathe, KS
61	McCormick, John*	OG	6-0	250 Jr.	Omaha, NE
17	Miller, Cleo	CB	5-9	170 Sr.	Dallas, TX
43	Millikan, Todd	LB	6-2	215 So.	Shenandoah, IA

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Cl.	Hometown
41	Munford, Marc*	LB	6-2	230 Sr.	Littleton, CO
63	Nichols, John	C	6-2	260 Jr.	Littleton, CO
95	Noonan, Danny*	MG	6-3	275 Sr.	Lincoln, NE
74	Parker, Stan	OG	6-5	245 Sr.	Bellevue, NE
35	Parsons, Kevin*	LB	6-3	230 Sr.	Springfield, MO
96	Pete, Lawrence	MG	6-2	280 So.	Wichita, KS
3	Schneider, Gary	CB	6-0	200 Sr.	O'Neill, NE
13	Schnitzler, Craig	P-K	5-8	215 Jr.	Battle Creek, NE
85	Schnitzler, Robb*	SE	5-9	170 Sr.	Battle Creek, NE
53	Sellentier, Jeff	C	6-3	240 Sr.	West Point, NE
2	Sheppard, Von	WB	5-9	185 Jr.	St. Paul, MN
19	Siebler, Bryan*	S	5-11	195 Sr.	Fremont, NE
99	Smith, Neil	DT	6-5	245 Jr.	New Orleans, LA
88	Smith, Rod	SE	6-0	195 Jr.	Thornton, CO
76	Spachman, Chris*	DT	6-5	250 Sr.	Kansas City, MO
9	Taylor, Steve	QB	5-11	195 So.	Spring Valley, CA
89	Thomas, Broderick	DE	6-4	235 So.	Houston, TX
11	Tomjack, Jeff	M	6-0	200 Jr.	Ewing, NE
83	Tyrer, Brad	DE	6-2	220 Sr.	Kansas City, MO
5	Washington, Brian*	M	6-1	205 Jr.	Highland Spgs., VA
69	Welter, Tom*	OT	6-4	275 Sr.	Yankton, SD

*Denotes Returning Starter: Offense (5); Defense (7); Kickers (1).

CORNHUSKER RECORDS

MOST YARDS RUSHING

Game: 285 Mike Rozier vs. Kansas, 1983
Season: 2148 Mike Rozier, 1983
Career: 4780 Mike Rozier, 1981-83

MOST YARDS PASSING

Game: 297 David Humm vs. Wisconsin, 1973
Season: 2074 David Humm, 1972
Career: 5035 David Humm, 1972-74

MOST PASSES CAUGHT

Game: 14 D. Richnasky vs. Kansas St., 1967
Season: 55 Johnny Rodgers, 1972
Career: 143 Johnny Rodgers, 1970-72

Longest Run: 94 Craig Johnson vs. Kansas, 1979
94 Roger Craig vs. Florida St., 1981
Longest Pass: 95 F. Duda to F. White vs. Colorado, 1965

Information provided by Don Bryant, Sports Information Director.

QUICK FACTS

1985 Record: 9-3-0; 6-1-0 2nd Big 8.
Head Coach: Tom Osborne (Nebraska record: 127-30-2; Overall record: 127-30-2), Hastings College '59.
Offensive Coordinator: Tom Osborne.
Defensive Coordinator: Charlie McBride, Colorado '62.
Offense: I-formation.
Defense: 5-2.
All-Star Candidates: IB-Doug DuBose, T-Tom Welter, WB-Von Sheppard, PK-Dale Klein, DB-Brian Washington, MG-Danny Noonan, LB-Marc Munford, DB-Brian Davis.

1986 SIGNEES

Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Hometown
Brungardt, Paul	OL-DL	6-7 225	Battle Creek, NE
Caliendo, Chris	LB	6-4 210	Brookfield, WI
Crippen, Jon	DB	5-11 180	Houston, TX
Gdowski, Gerry	QB	6-2 180	Fremont, NE
Glaser, Doug	OL	6-7 290	Mesquite, TX
Gregory, Morgan	SE	6-0 180	Denver, CO
Hasley, Kurt	DL	6-3 240	De Witt, NE
Hicks, Robert	CB	5-11 165	Los Angeles, CA
Hroza, Karl	DB	5-11 175	Columbus, NE
Miller, Jeff	QB	6-1 210	Houston, TX
Mills, Jeff	DE	6-4 215	Montclair, NJ
Punt, Tom	DL	6-8 245	Sioux Center, IA
Tyrance, Pat	TE	6-1 220	Omaha, NE
Walker, Kenny	DE	6-3 215	Crane, TX
Wanek, Jim	C	6-2 235	Aurora, NE
Wendland, Rick	DB	6-1 185	Topeka, KS
Young, Jake	OL	6-5 225	Midland, TX

NOTRE DAME

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Cl.	Hometown
2	Andrysiak, Terry	QB	6-1 181	Jr.	Allen Park, MI
72	Askim, John	OG	6-6 268	Sr.	Louisville, KY
56	Banks, Robert*	DT	6-5 234	Sr.	Hampton, VA
10	Belles, Steve	QB	6-4 197	So.	Phoenix, AZ
7	Beuerlein, Steve*	QB	6-3 201	Sr.	Fullerton, CA
19	Bobb, James	FS	6-1 189	Sr.	Port Arthur, TX
47	Bolcar, Ned	ILB	6-2 215	So.	Phillipsburg, NJ
81	Brown, Tim*	FL	6-0 192	Jr.	Dallas, TX
37	Butler, Dave	OLB	6-3 223	Sr.	Sylvania, OH
4	Byrne, Tom	QB	6-5 212	Jr.	Pacific, CA
18	Carney, John*	K	5-10 170	Sr.	Centerville, OH
82	Dumas, Ray	FL	6-2 185	So.	St. Louis, MO
44	Eason, Tony	SE	6-4 194	Jr.	Snohomish, WA
48	Figaro, Cedric*	OLB	6-3 232	Jr.	Lafayette, LA
32	Francisco, D'Juan	TB	5-10 178	So.	Cincinnati, OH
33	Francisco, Hwaatha	TB	5-10 194	Sr.	Cincinnati, OH
65	Freeman, Tom	OG	6-4 265	Sr.	Shawnee Msn., KS
38	Gordon, Darrell	OLB	6-3 190	Jr.	Hillside, NJ
87	Gorman, Tom	DT	6-6 230	So.	Evergreen Park, IL
11	Graham, Pete	QB	6-3 190	So.	Rumson, NJ
24	Green, Mark	TB	6-0 183	So.	Riverside, CA
94	Griffin, Mike	DT	6-4 246	Sr.	Cleveland Hts., OH
1	Haywood, Mike*	CB	5-11 181	Sr.	Houston, TX
88	Heck, Andy	TE	6-6 235	So.	Annandale, VA
52	Heffern, Shawn*	OG	6-5 266	Sr.	Carmel, IN
78	Hodge, Bob	OG	6-5 270	So.	Norcross, GA
6	Jackson, Milt	SE	6-0 180	Sr.	Fairfield, IA
77	Kelty, Joe	OT	6-5 270	So.	Poland, OH
96	Kleine, Wally*	DT	6-9 274	Sr.	Midland, TX
79	Killian, Chuck	OG	6-6 265	So.	Philadelphia, PA
49	Kovaleski, Mike*	ILB	6-2 218	Sr.	New Castle, IN
93	Kunz, Jeff	DT	6-6 252	Jr.	Palm Bch. Gdns., FL
30	Kvochak, Chris	CB	6-1 175	Sr.	Vancouver, WA
51	Lanza, Chuck	C	6-3 255	Sr.	Germantown, TN
23	Lawrence, Steve*	FS	6-0 194	Sr.	Ypsilanti, MI
70	Lippincott, Marty	DT	6-6 275	So.	Philadelphia, PA
64	McHugh, Tom	OG	6-5 263	Sr.	Philadelphia, PA
17	Miller, Alvin	SE	6-4 211	Sr.	Kirkwood, MO
26	Monahan, Tom	FB	5-10 210	Sr.	Arcola, IL

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Cl.	Hometown
55	Nigro, Mark	DT	6-3 220	So.	Lombard, IL
34	Pritchett, Wes	ILB	6-5 225	Jr.	Atlanta, GA
55	Quinn, Dan	OLB	6-4 235	So.	Encinitas, CA
76	Rehder, Tom*	OT	6-7 243	Sr.	Santa Maria, CA
68	Riley, Tom	OT	6-6 258	Sr.	Pasadena, CA
31	Robb, Aaron	FS	6-1 185	So.	Coeur d'Alene, ID
61	Rokich, Pete	OT	6-7 262	Sr.	Magna, UT
13	Sorensen, Dan*	P	6-3 185	Sr.	Long Lake, MN
31	Southall, Corny	TB	6-2 185	So.	Rochester, NY
25	Spence, Marv	CB	5-11 180	Sr.	Chester, PA
73	Spruell, Byron	OT	6-5 205	Sr.	Aurora, OH
30	Stams, Frank*	FB	6-4 229	Jr.	Cuyahoga Falls, OH
27	Streeter, George	SS	6-2 205	So.	Chicago, IL
46	Taylor, Pernel	FB	5-11 216	Sr.	La Puente, CA
83	Ward, Reggie*	FL	5-11 179	Jr.	Long Beach, CA
36	Weissenhofer, Ron	ILB	6-3 221	Sr.	Oak Lawn, IL
5	Wells, Brandy	SS	6-0 186	Jr.	Montclair, NJ
89	Williams, Joel	TE	6-4 234	Sr.	Monroeville, PA
12	Wilson, Troy*	CB	5-11 179	Sr.	Frederick, MD
35	Zackrisson, Kurt	OLB	6-2 215	So.	Elmhurst, IL

*Denotes Returning Starter: Offense (7); Defense (6); Kickers (2).

FIGHTING IRISH RECORDS

MOST YARDS RUSHING

Game: 255 Vagas Ferguson vs. Ga. Tech, 1978
Season: 1437 Vagas Ferguson, 1979
Career: 4131 Allen Pinkett, 1982-85

MOST YARDS PASSING

Game: 526 Joe Theismann vs. USC, 1970
Season: 2429 Joe Theismann, 1970
Career: 4411 Joe Theismann, 1968-70

MOST PASSES CAUGHT

Game: 13 Jim Seymour vs. Purdue, 1966
Season: 77 Tom Gatewood, 1970
Career: 157 Tom Gatewood, 1969-71

Longest Run: 92 Bob Livingstone vs. USC, 1947
Longest Pass: 96 Blair Kiel to Joe Howard vs. Ga. Tech, 1981

Information provided by John Heisler, Sports Information Director.

QUICK FACTS

1985 Record: 5-6-0

Head Coach: Lou Holtz (Notre Dame record: 0-0; Overall record: 116-65-5), Kent St. '59.

Offensive Coordinator: none.

Defensive Coordinator: Foge Fazio, Pitt '60.

Offense: Multiple, I-formation.

Defense: 3-4

All-Star Candidates: K-John Carney, FL-Tim Brown, LB-Mike Kovaleski, DT-Robert Banks, OLB-Cedric Figaro

1986 SIGNEES

Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Hometown
Alm, Jeff	OLB	6-6 232	Orland Park, IL
Banks, Braxton	RB	6-2 208	Hayward, CA
Brown, Dean	DL	6-4 247	Canton, OH
Cegielski, Jason	OL	6-3 250	Chicago, IL
Crounse, Mike	DL	6-3 245	Endicott, NY
Dadiotis, Jim	ILB	6-3 228	Littleton, CO
Flannery, Bryan	DL	6-3 235	Lakewood, OH
Foley, John	ILB	6-3 228	Chicago, IL
Glonek, Paul	DL	6-6 265	Palos Hills, IL
Grunhard, Tim	OL	6-4 240	Chicago, IL
Harazin, Mike	OL	6-5 215	Burbank, IL
Healy, Ted	DL	6-3 220	So. Weymouth, MA
Jandric, David	DB	6-2 178	Omaha, NE
Johnson, Anthony	RB	6-1 220	South Bend, IN
McShane, Kevin	OLB	6-3 218	Joliet, IL
Pearson, Jeff	OL	6-4 245	Chicago, IL
Rice, Tony	QB	6-2 190	Woodruff, SC
Smagala, Stan	RB-DB	6-0 175	Burbank, IL
Stonebreaker, Michael	ILB	6-1 216	River Ridge, LA
Terrell, Patrick	WR	6-2 180	St. Petersburg, FL
West, Rod	DB	6-2 220	New Orleans, LA
Zaleski, John	OL-P	6-4 240	Chicago, IL

OKLAHOMA

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Cl.	Hometown
57	Adkins, Kevin	C	6-1 215	Sr.	Midwest City, OK
61	Aljoe, Mike	DE	6-2 225	Sr.	Lewisville, TX
28	Anderson, Rotnei	FB	6-1 210	So.	Dickinson, TX
74	Bennett, Gary	OG	6-3 260	So.	Evergreen, CO
44	Bosworth, Brian*	LB	6-2 235	Jr.	Irving, TX
8	Brown, Sonny*	DB	6-2 190	Sr.	Alice, TX
86	Bryan, Steve*	DT	6-3 260	Sr.	Broken Arrow, OK
83	Cabbiness, Carl	SE	6-1 180	So.	Tulsa, OK
45	Carr, Lydell*	FB	6-2 215	Jr.	Enid, OK
33	Collins, Patrick*	HB	5-10 185	Jr.	Tulsa, OK
15	Crudup, Derrick	DB	6-3 215	Jr.	Delray Beach, FL
51	Davis, Richard	NG	6-2 252	So.	Tulsa, OK
29	Dixon, Ricky*	DB	5-10 180	Jr.	Dallas, TX
9	Finch, Lonnie	DB	6-3 175	So.	Irving, TX
49	Garl, Scott	DB	6-1 210	So.	Hominy, OK
54	Gatewood, Evan	LB	6-2 217	Sr.	Dallas, TX
7	Glenn, Ledell	DB	5-11 185	Sr.	Fountain Valley, CA
47	Hake, Jeff	DE	6-3 225	Sr.	Blue Springs, MO
4	Holleyway, Jamelle*	QB	5-11 175	So.	Carson, CA
79	Hutson, Mark*	OG	6-4 280	Jr.	Fort Smith, AR
88	Jackson, Keith*	TE	6-3 241	Jr.	Little Rock, AR
5	Johnson, Earl	FB	5-11 192	Sr.	Dallas, TX
75	Johnson, Greg*	OT	6-4 303	Jr.	Moore, OK
80	Johnson, Troy	DE	6-2 225	Jr.	Houston, TX
50	Jones, Dante	LB	6-2 221	Jr.	Dallas, TX
46	Kasper, Kert	DE	6-3 234	So.	Houston, TX
90	Kilpatrick, Darren	DE	6-4 250	Jr.	Porter, OK
97	King, Aubrey	TE	6-3 230	So.	Denver, CO
31	Lashar, Tim*	K	5-9 158	Sr.	Plano, TX
56	Latham, Bob	C	6-5 246	So.	Claremore, OK
62	Laurita, Al	OG	6-3 263	Jr.	Arvada, CO
23	Maloney, Don	HB	5-11 187	So.	Chickasha, OK
60	Mantle, Mike	DE	6-2 217	Sr.	Miami, OK
70	Marks, Richard	OT	6-5 273	Jr.	Grandview, MO
48	McBride, Brad	LB	6-2 221	Jr.	Edmond, OK
17	McMichel, Kenneth	DB	6-1 183	Fr.	Indianapolis, IN
42	Migliazzo, Paul*	LB	6-1 222	Sr.	Kansas City, MO
1	Mitchel, Eric	QB	6-1 195	So.	Pine Bluff, AR
84	Morris, Lee	SE	5-10 170	Jr.	Del City, OK

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Cl.	Hometown
2	Perry, Leon	FB	6-1 220	So.	Orlando, FL
68	Phillips, Anthony*	OG	6-3 274	So.	Tulsa, OK
66	Phillips, Jon	OT	6-4 258	Jr.	Tulsa, OK
35	Rayburn, Tony*	DB	6-3 193	Sr.	Oklahoma City, OK
40	Reed, Darrell*	DE	6-2 211	Jr.	Cypress, TX
96	Reed, Richard	OT	6-4 258	Sr.	Fort Worth, TX
77	Rentie, Caesar	OT	6-4 288	Jr.	Hartshorne, OK
3	Shepard, Derrick*	SE	5-11 186	Sr.	Odessa, TX
53	Simpson, Travis*	C	6-3 263	Sr.	Norman, OK
37	Smith, Todd	DB	6-0 194	Sr.	Norman, OK
25	Stafford, Anthony*	HB	5-7 165	So.	St. Louis, MO
27	Stell, Damon	HB	6-0 196	Jr.	Oklahoma City, OK
91	Thomsen, Todd	K	6-1 180	So.	Sapulpa, OK
20	Tillman, Spencer	HB	5-11 200	Sr.	Tulsa, OK
10	Vickers, David	DB	6-4 197	Jr.	Tulsa, OK
14	White, Derrick*	DB	5-9 187	So.	Lubbock, TX
93	Williams, Curtice	NG	6-3 252	So.	Pine Bluff, AR
12	Winchester, Mike*	P	6-1 180	Sr.	Marietta, OK
99	Woods, Tony	DT	6-5 270	So.	Colorado Spgs., CO

*Denotes Returning Starter: Offense (10); Defense (8); Kickers (2).

SOONER RECORDS

MOST YARDS RUSHING

Game: 294 Greg Pruitt vs. Kansas St., 1971
Season: 1762 Billy Sims, 1978
Career: 3995 Joe Washington, 1972-75

MOST YARDS PASSING

Game: 246 Monte Deere vs. Colorado, 1962
Season: 1548 Bob Warmack, 1968
Career: 3527 Bob Warmack, 1966-68

MOST PASSES CAUGHT

Game: 10 G. Brown vs. Oklahoma St., 1965
Season: 60 Eddie Hinton vs. Oklahoma St., 1968
Career: 114 Eddie Hinton, 1966-68

Longest Run: 96 Buck McPhail vs. Kansas St., 1951
Longest Pass: 95 Ron Fletcher to Ben Hart vs. Florida St., 1965

Information provided by Mike Treps, Sports Information Director.

QUICK FACTS

1985 Record: 11-1-0, 7-0-0 1st Big 8.

Head Coach: Barry Switzer (Oklahoma record: 126-24-4; Overall record: 126-24-4), Arkansas, '60.

Offensive Coordinator: Jim Donnan, North Carolina St. '67.

Defensive Coordinator: Gary Gibbs, Oklahoma '74.

Offense: Wishbone.

Defense: 5-2.

All-Star Candidates: TE-Keith Jackson, OG-Mark Hutson, OG-Anthony Phillips, QB-Jamelle Hollaway, FB-Lyde Carr, LB-Brian Bosworth, DE-Darrell Reed, DB-Sonny Brown, DB-Ricky Dixon.

1986 SIGNEES

Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Hometown
Backes, Tom	TE-LB	6-5 220	El Paso, TX
Clay, Nigel	T	6-4 250	Fontana, CA
Collins, Phillip	HB-DB	5-11 175	Tulsa, OK
Connor, Robert L.	T	6-5 245	Mangum, OK
Cooper, Adrian	LB	6-6 230	Denver, CO
Crafts, Jerry	OL	6-6 303	Tulsa, OK
Dickson, Wayne	LB	6-4 207	Borger, TX
Evans, Scott	L-LB	6-3 210	Edmond, OK
Goode, James	DE-LB	6-4 220	Houston, TX
Gordon, Tracy	T-LB	6-3 235	Pocahontas, OK
Guess, Arthur	SE-DB	5-11 175	Oklahoma City, OK
Gunter, Fred	RB	5-7 180	Willingboro, NJ
Hall, Bernard	QB	6-3 210	Detroit, MI
Jackson, Jeffrey	WR	5-10 170	Houston, TX
Jones, Harold	T	6-4 260	Bristow, OK
Kirby, Darrel	DL	6-4 255	Orlando, FL
Manning, Terton	T	6-2 280	Muskogee, OK
Medice, Larry	OL	6-4 275	Gretina, LA
Oliver, Jarrod	RB-LB	6-0 215	Missouri City, TX
Pearson, Nelson	RB	5-11 190	Lubbock, TX
Peters, Zarak	OG-DT	6-4 240	H. Bend, TX
Thompson, Charles	QB-DB	5-10 161	Lawton, OK
White, Roy	K	6-4 190	Panama, OK



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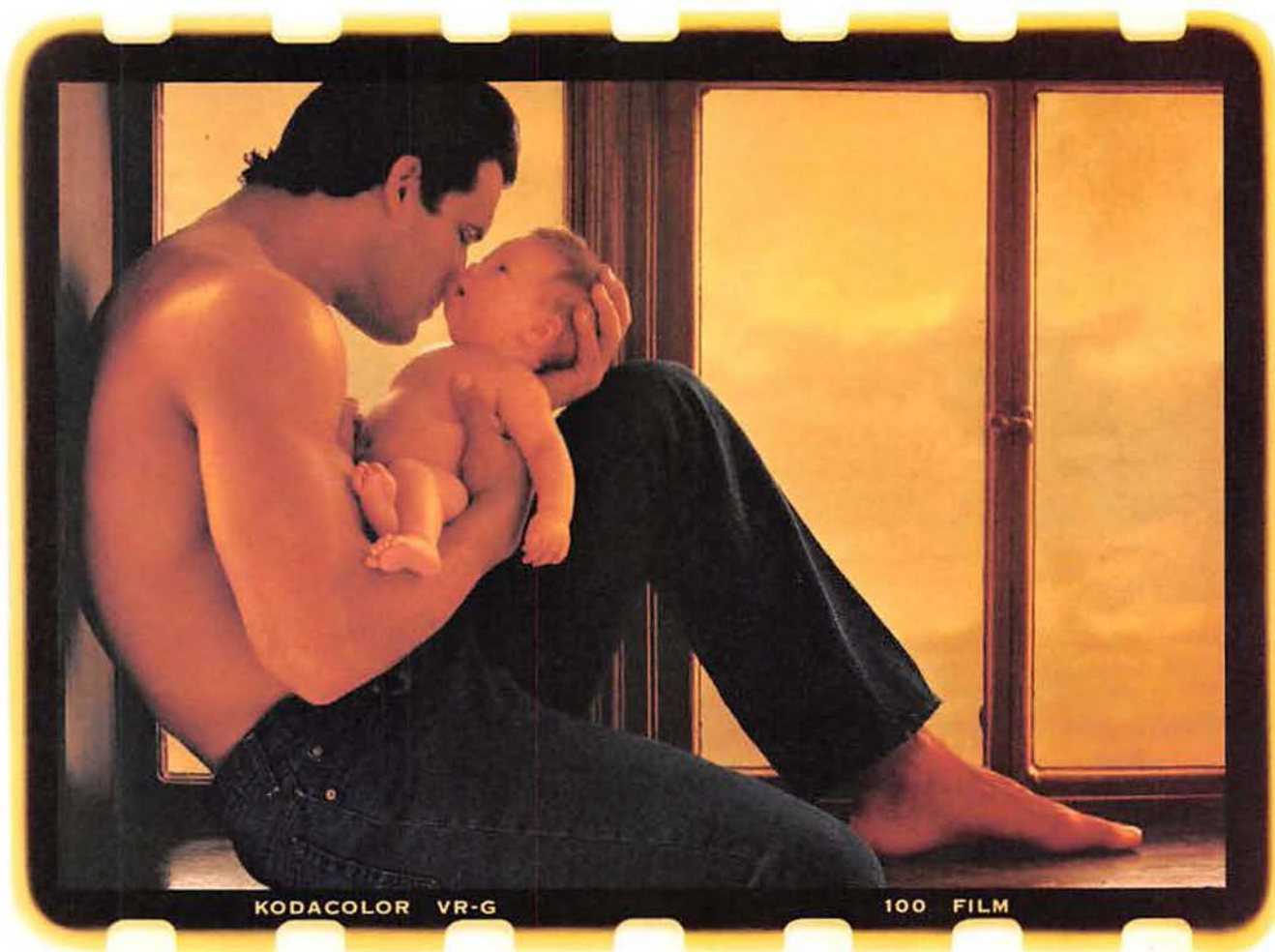
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90	Bobo, Heath	LB	5-11 215	Fr.	Mesquite, TX
4	Brown, Donnie	DB	5-9 183	So.	Carrollton, TX
86	Brown, Kenneth	TE	6-5 220	Sr.	Midland, TX
	Caines, Thomas	LB	6-3 230	Jr.	La Verne, CA
8	Cockrell, Milton	DB	5-9 181	So.	Dallas, TX
7	Cooper, Cary	P	5-10 155	Jr.	Broken Arrow, OK
30	Cumby, Kenneth	LB	5-11 210	Jr.	Athens, TX
71	Davis, Brent	DL	6-4 230	Fr.	Paris, TX
47	Deckard, Jerry	DB	6-2 206	Jr.	Nacogdoches, TX
9	Dennis, Brad	K	5-7 140	So.	Villa Park, CA
87	Dillard, J. R.*	TE	6-4 245	Jr.	Cleveland, OK
11	Dykes, Hart Lee	SE	6-4 206	So.	Bay City, TX
14	Gaines, Rodderick	QB	6-1 207	So.	Tyler, TX
2	Gilliam, Melvin*	DB	6-2 170	So.	Tulsa, OK
29	Green, Harold	WR-DB	6-1 195	So.	Orange, TX
94	Hawkins, Dana	DE	6-1 213	Jr.	Longview, TX
79	Hopkins, Kelly	OT	6-5 270	Sr.	Collinsville, OK
10	Hudson, Mike*	DB	6-0 205	Sr.	Hominy, OK
84	Jackson, Leonard	DT	6-2 240	Sr.	Pine Bluff, AR
95	Jones, Bill	TE-C	6-4 239	So.	Jay, OK
60	Jones, Marcus	NG	6-2 245	So.	Port Arthur, TX
	Keith, Brian	TE	6-3 235	Jr.	Urbandale, IA
73	Kidder, Jason	OT	6-3 272	So.	Appleton, WI
65	Kolb, Matt	OL	6-5 250	So.	Chickasha, OK
32	Limbrick, Garrett	FB	6-3 218	So.	Houston, TX
20	Luper, Curtis	TB-WR	6-0 194	So.	Sherman, TX
63	Luper, Kevin	DL	6-4 240	Fr.	Adair, OK
46	McCallister, Greg	LB	6-1 235	So.	Midwest City, OK
58	Meacham, Doug*	OG	6-3 250	Jr.	Arlington, TX
25	Miller, Joe	FB	5-11 199	Sr.	Dale City, VA
38	Moore, Mahcoe	DE	6-4 205	Fr.	Tulsa, OK
44	Moore, Mark*	FS	6-0 194	Sr.	Nacogdoches, TX
23	Nash, Mitch	TB	5-10 186	So.	Bartlesville, OK
92	Nunn, Robert	LB	6-3 230	Jr.	Apache, OK
36	O'Donnell, Joey*	K	6-0 204	So.	Perry, OK
	Patterson, Jeff	DL	6-2 250	Jr.	Fayetteville, NC
17	Rankin, Rusty	QB	6-2 193	Jr.	Vinita, OK
1	Riley, Bobby*	SE	5-9 168	Sr.	Stroud, OK

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Cl.	Hometown
45	Schiro, Bouncer	LB	6-1 225	Sr.	Houston, TX
97	Shaw, Ricky*	DE	6-4 220	Jr.	Fayetteville, NC
85	Simien, Kevin	FL	6-4 202	So.	Port Arthur, TX
50	Smithton, Shane	C	6-0 218	So.	Woodward, OK
59	Stanley, Chris	OL	6-5 252	So.	Elk City, OK
36	Tero, Jim	FB	6-1 215	Sr.	Edmond, OK
34	Thomas, Thurman*	P	5-11 191	Jr.	Missouri City, TX
16	Thompson, Rich*	P	6-4 215	Jr.	Sapulpa, OK
31	Timmons, Will*	FB	6-0 224	Sr.	Little Rock, AR
93	Vice, Vance	TE	6-5 235	Fr.	Bristow, OK
52	Victor, Vernon	LB	6-2 205	Fr.	Port Arthur, TX
12	Walstad, Rick	QB	6-0 198	Fr.	Stillwater, OK
51	Wilkins, Tony	OG	6-2 248	Sr.	N. Little Rock, AR
5	Williams, Demise*	DB	6-2 214	Sr.	Washington, DC
49	Williams, Ron	DE	6-3 216	Jr.	Houston, TX
15	Williams, Ronnie*	QB	6-4 215	Jr.	Wichita Falls, TX
77	Wilson, Danny	DL	6-3 246	Fr.	Stillwater, OK
62	Wolfe, Mike	OG	6-5 255	So.	Miami, OK
56	Woodard, Byron	OT	6-3 297	So.	Houston, TX
48	Yancy, Wendell	DB	6-2 196	Sr.	Dallas, TX
	Zentic, Mike	C	6-3 255	Jr.	Lincoln, NE

*Denotes Returning Starter: Offense (6); Defense (5); Kickers (2).

COWBOY RECORDS

MOST YARDS RUSHING	
Game:	270 Ernest Anderson vs. Kansas, 1982
Season:	1877 Ernest Anderson, 1982
Career:	4754 Terry Miller, 1974-77
MOST YARDS PASSING	
Game:	363 Ronnie Williams vs. Nebraska, 1985
Season:	2048 Rusty Hilger, 1984
Career:	3982 Rusty Hilger, 1980-84
MOST PASSES CAUGHT	
Game:	16 Alex Loyd vs. Kansas, 1949
Season:	54 Terry Brown, 1968
Career:	120 Hermann Eben, 1968-70
Longest Run:	99 Ed Gallagher vs. Kansas St., 1908
Longest Pass:	85 B. Cutbirth to H. Eben vs. Kansas St., 1969

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QUICK FACTS

1985 Record: 8-4-0; 4-3-0 3rd Big 8.
Head Coach: Pat Jones (Oklahoma record: 18-6-0; Overall record: 18-6-0), Arkansas '69.
Offensive Coordinator: Larry Coker, NE Oklahoma St. '70.
Defensive Coordinator: Louis Campbell, Arkansas '73.
Offense: I-formation. **Defense:** 5-4.
All-Star Candidates: TB-Thurman Thomas, FS-Mark Moore, SS-Mike Hudson, SE-Bobby Riley, QB-Ronnie Williams.

1986 SIGNEES

Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Hometown
Aboussie, Mike	LB	6-2 200	Arnold, MO
Alexander, Derrick	DE	6-3 240	Tulsa, OK
Alsbrook, Ricky	TE	6-4 200	Garland, TX
Brown, Vernon	RB	6-0 200	Del City, OK
Christian, Reggie	L	6-3 245	Lewisville, TX
Drain, Sim III	LB	6-2 205	Stillwater, OK
Fry, Joel	L	6-6 240	Wichita, KS
Gaines, Fred	DB	6-1 185	Dallas, TX
Gundy, Mike	QB	5-11 180	Midwest City, OK
Hood, Mike	FB	6-0 218	Sulphur, OK
Hudson, Gerald	RB	5-10 195	Waxahatchie, TX
King, Brad	L	6-3 235	Putnam City, OK
Mackey, Shawn	L	6-4 235	Marlow, OK
Martin, Mike	L	6-4 260	Morris, OK
Mayfield, Curtis	WR	6-2 170	Dallas, TX
Miller, Terance	RB	6-0 200	Lewisville, TX
Oglesby, Marvin	LB	6-3 215	Decatur, GA
Pryor, Philip	L	6-4 270	Denison, TX
Sanders, Barry	RB	5-8 175	Wichita, KS
Scott, Roland	DE	6-3 205	Dallas, TX
Smith, Chris	QB	6-2 180	Ponca City, OK
Tiesman, Stephen	L	6-7 250	Bartlesville, OK
Tyler, Terrance	DE	6-4 225	Houston, TX
Wales, Richard	LB	6-2 200	Tulsa, OK
Webb, Scott	L	6-5 240	Carrollton, TX
Wilson, Cecil	DB	5-11 190	Ft. Worth, TX
Woodford, Tim	K	5-10 160	Brooksville, FL

TULSA

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Cl.	Hometown
57	Adams, Richard	OT	6-2 252	Jr.	Dallas, TX
78	Alexander, David*	OG	6-3 270	Sr.	Broken Arrow, OK
	Anderson, Mike	TE	6-4 213	Fr.	Fort Gibson, OK
89	Andrews, Kevin*	TE	6-4 227	Sr.	Tulsa, OK
66	Brand, Mike	OG	6-2 268	So.	Cleveland, OK
83	Brown, Anthony	LB	6-2 219	So.	Tyler, TX
1	Brown, Eric*	SE	6-3 180	Sr.	St. Louis, MO
42	Brown, John*	LB	6-0 212	Jr.	Beggs, OK
72	Brummitt, Brad	OL	6-2 254	So.	Monaca, PA
41	Buford, Tony	LB	6-2 217	Sr.	St. Louis, MO
48	Byrd, Dennis	DT	6-4 225	So.	Mustang, OK
19	Chandler, James	RB	6-0 205	So.	Tulsa, OK
22	Clark, Whan	DB	6-0 186	Fr.	McAlester, OK
15	Cook, Mark	DB	6-0 190	So.	Weatherford, TX
53	Cottman, Chris	NG	6-2 225	Fr.	Sand Spgs., OK
68	Craig, Chad	OG	6-7 270	Jr.	Guyton, OK
38	Craig, George	LB	5-11 215	Fr.	Houston, TX
32	Dahlquist, Craig	DB	6-2 194	Sr.	Overland Park, KS
84	Dee, Donnie	DT	6-4 240	Jr.	Kansas City, MO
6	Deshrow, Doug*	DB	6-2 195	Jr.	Muttontown, NY
16	Ellison, Derrick	RB	5-9 172	So.	Houston, TX
23	Epps, Edward	DB	5-11 193	So.	Del City, OK
75	Estes, Scott	DT	6-3 243	So.	Plano, TX
54	Fields, Stan*	C	5-11 250	Sr.	Tulsa, OK
90	Ford, Crawford	DT	6-2 259	Sr.	Tallahassee, FL
	Fuess, David	PK	5-9 160	Fr.	Dallas, TX
10	Gage, Steve*	QB	6-3 210	Sr.	Claremore, OK
35	Garner, Tyson	DB	5-9 192	So.	Dallas, TX
24	Gordon, Tim*	DB	6-0 188	Sr.	Ardmore, OK
97	Granger, James	DT	6-3 232	Fr.	Weatherford, TX
40	Greer, Michael	DB	5-10 197	Jr.	Dallas, TX
3	Harrison, Erick	FL	5-11 180	So.	Bristow, OK
34	Haynes, David*	LB	6-0 206	Jr.	McGregor, TX
76	Hegdale, Steve*	OG	6-5 280	Jr.	McAlester, OK
65	Hilberth, Chris	OG	6-5 254	So.	Houston, TX
80	Johnson, Earl	DT	6-2 230	So.	Tulsa, OK
91	Kaiser, Chris	OL	6-2 237	So.	Tulsa, OK
92	Keil, Mike	LB	6-1 230	Jr.	Jenks, OK
5	Kelley, Ronnie*	FL	6-0 190	Jr.	McGregor, TX

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Cl.	Hometown
43	Kirk, Robert	LB	6-1 202	Jr.	Lacygne, KS
50	Kropp, Steve*	LB	6-1 225	Sr.	Miami, OK
67	Litterell, Kyle	OT	6-2 245	So.	Cleveland, OK
49	Luke, Matt	LB	6-1 216	So.	Yorkville, IL
59	McCall, Rodger	LB	6-1 220	So.	Ft. Worth, TX
44	Morrow, Jesse	DB	5-9 192	Sr.	Wilburton, OK
62	Murphy, Keith	DT	6-0 240	Fr.	Grand Prairie, TX
61	Olienyk, Doug	OT	6-2 272	Jr.	Barling, AR
30	Palmer, Mark	RB	5-10 188	Fr.	Olathe, KS
93	Pike, Chris	OL	6-7 280	Sr.	Washington, DC
55	Powell, Colice	OT	6-2 245	Sr.	Midwest City, OK
95	Rosson, Mike	DT	6-5 265	Fr.	Edmond, OK
87	Sambrano, Richard	LB	6-1 220	So.	Dallas, TX
69	Stephens, Richard	OG	6-7 260	So.	Fenton, MO
11	Stephenson, Richie*	DB-P	5-11 197	Sr.	Moore, OK
37	Stuckey, John	RB	5-11 198	Fr.	Lenexa, KS
60	Vardaman, Billy	C	6-2 242	Jr.	Wichita, KS
25	Vaughn, Chris	RB	5-9 185	Sr.	De Kalb, TX
47	Warren, Xavier	LB	6-0 247	Sr.	Cleburne, TX
28	Williams, Lenny	RB	6-0 186	Fr.	Wagoner, OK
2	Wright, Charles*	DB	5-9 170	Sr.	Carthage, MO

*Denotes Returning Starter: Offense (7); Defense (7); Kickers (1).

HURRICANE RECORDS

MOST YARDS RUSHING	
Game:	250 Howard Waugh vs. Arkansas, 1952
Season:	1484 Michael Gunter, 1982
Career:	3536 Michael Gunter, 1980-83
MOST YARDS PASSING	
Game:	502 Bill Anderson vs. Colorado St., 1965
Season:	3464 Bill Anderson, 1965
Career:	4779 Jerry Rhome, 1963-64
MOST PASSES CAUGHT	
Game:	20 Rick Eber vs. Idaho St., 1967
Season:	134 Howard Twilley, 1964
Career:	261 Howard Twilley, 1963-65
Longest Run:	89 Camp Wilson vs. Southwestern (TX), 1944
Longest Pass:	98 Jerry Rhome to Jeff Jordan vs. Wichita, 1963

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QUICK FACTS

1985 Record: 6-5-0; 5-0-0 1st MVC.
Head Coach: Don Morton (Tulsa record: 6-5-0; Overall record: 63-20-0), Augustana (IL) '69.
Offensive Coordinator: Pat Simmers, North Dakota State '74.
Defensive Coordinator: Mike Daly, Augustana (SD) '71.
Offense: Split-back Veer. **Defense:** Multiple.
All-Star Candidates: QB-Steve Gage, OG-David Alexander, FL-Ronnie Kelley, LB-Xavier Warren, LB-Tony Buford, ROV-Doug Desherow.

1986 SIGNEES

Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Hometown
Barrs, Eric	QB	6-1 178	Houston, TX
Beasley, Ron	RB	6-0 190	Gilmer, TX
Bitson, Dan	WR	6-2 175	Tulsa, OK
Borlabi, Bernard	RB	5-11 200	Midwest City, OK
Briscoe, Chris	DB	6-0 175	Wichita, KS
Cassano, Frank	QB	5-9 165	Norristown, PA
Chargois, John	DL	6-3 225	Houston, TX
Crawford, Rod	DL	6-3 210	Olathe, KS
Dunagin, Walter	QB	5-11 170	Garland, TX
Durham, Lee	LB	6-3 210	Houston, TX
Edgar, Jerry	RB	6-0 190	Irving, TX
Fancher, Chris	OL	6-2 230	Duncan, OK
Fridrich, Kirk	DL	6-4 230	Shawnee, OK
Harper, Kelly	LB	6-2 210	Broken Arrow, OK
Harper, Pat	DL	6-1 225	Broken Arrow, OK
Johnson, Gill	RB	5-6 179	Bixby, OK
Jones, Craig	RB	5-9 170	Dallas, TX
Lee, Kenneth	RB	5-9 185	Oklahoma City, OK
McGraw, Rodney	DL	6-1 250	Ennis, TX
McVay, Marcus	QB	5-10 165	Muskogee, OK
Miller, Kerry	TE	6-6 210	Rochester, MN
Oberstee, Mark	TE	6-4 220	Sallisaw, OK
Odell, Billy	RB	6-0 190	Eufaula, TX
Price, Mickey	DB	6-1 175	Lewisville, TX
Simon, Joe Paul	LB	6-0 195	Vian, OK
Spanos, Gus	OL	6-2 235	McKeesport, PA
Treat, Gary	OL	6-4 210	Muldrow, OK
Wiethorn, Brian	RB	5-11 185	Kansas City, MO

Running Backs Top Prep Elite

by Gary Rausch

Florida's all-time leading high school rusher after only three seasons, a placekicker sure to break the national prep field-goal record, a former heavyweight boxing champion's son, a running back-turned-quarterback who brought his school the national title and a fullback-linebacker from the cradle of high school football are but a few of *Athlon's* Elite 22 seniors for 1986.

While top-heavy with running backs, there is good distribution among this select group: two offensive linemen, three defensive linemen, six runners, two quarterbacks, two defensive backs, one linebacker, one tight end, one placekicker and four combination performers that we couldn't pin down to a single position.

Heading the list is running back Emmitt Smith (5-10, 190), who has led Pensacola (Fla.) Escambia to consecutive state 4A championships.

Last season Emmitt was called upon 358 times as the I-back in Coach Dwight Thomas' high-powered offense. He answered with 2,826 yards and 32 touchdowns. That gave him a three-year total of 6,993 yards on 902 attempts. He's scored 78 touchdowns and 480 points.

Smith will extend his state rushing record with each yard this term and take aim on some national standards. Only two other preps have ever topped 9,000 yards. That's within his reach, as is the national record of 1,183 carries.

As a sophomore, Emmitt was a member of the All-Southern squad. Last year he ascended to the prestigious Dixie Dozen and was the lone junior selected to *Scholastic Magazine's* 100-man team.

Thomas doesn't try to fool anybody. "Everybody in the stadium knows Emmitt is going to get the ball on every down," Thomas says. "We're an I-formation team and he's going to handle the ball."

Amazingly, Smith left six games before the fourth quarter and carried only a few times after halftime in several others.

While Smith may still be shy of Ken Hall's three-decade-old standard of 11,232 career rushing yards, placekicker Philip Doyle (6-2, 195) may find a spot in the High School Hall of Fame.

With 22 field goals in 15 games, the Birmingham (Ala.) Huffman star ran his total to 33. That's just three behind national record holder Mike Cortright of Phoenix (Ariz.) St. Mary's, whose mark may not last through this season's opening game.

Doyle, who kicked two field goals as a freshman and nine as a sophomore, didn't assemble last year's numbers on chip shots. Eight of his kicks traveled 40 yards or more, six at least 45.

The South may be the leader in blue-chip talent this year with six of the Elite 22 hailing from Southeastern Conference country. Besides Smith and Doyle, there's Jeff Ellis (6-4, 215), a knockout tight end from Louisville Male who is the son of former heavyweight champion Jimmy Ellis; defensive tackle Matt Young (6-5, 265) of Baker, La., the lone junior on the state 4A team after making 88 tackles, nine for losses; and running backs John Stewart (6-2, 205) of Hinesville (Ga.) Bradwell Institute and Leroy Thompson (5-11, 205) of Knoxville (Tenn.) Austin-East.

Stewart broke the Georgia 4A rushing record with 2,186 yards on 333 carries. The three-sport star ran for 1,320 as a sophomore. Thompson doubles as a defensive back. He was the state AA basketball tournament MVP as a sophomore and scored 17 touchdowns and averaged 12.6 yards a carry last season. In the secondary, he's picked off 13 passes.

National Elite Twenty-Two

Top high school seniors of 1986:

Norm Ballantine, OT, 6-6, 270, St. Louis (Mo.) Hazelwood East

Kevin Bayonne, DB, 6-1, 205, Playa del Rey (Calif.) St. Bernard

Jeff Christy, FB/LB, 6-2, 225, Freeport, Pa.

Charles Collins, DT, 6-4, 260, Chicago (Ill.) Mendel Catholic

Ty Detmer, QB, 6-1, 175, San Antonio (Texas) Southwest

Philip Doyle, PK, 6-2, 195, Birmingham (Ala.) Huffman

Jeff Ellis, TE, 6-4, 215, Louisville (Ky.) Male

Leodis Flowers, RB, 6-0, 189, Omaha (Neb.) Central

George Hemingway, RB, 6-1, 200, Colton, Calif.

Otis Kearney, DB, 6-1, 185, Toms River (N.J.) South

Scott Lockwood, RB, 6-1, 200, Boulder (Colo.) Fairview

Matt McCall, OT, 6-8, 285, Lufkin, Texas

Kerwin Price, QB, 6-0, 200, East St. Louis, Ill.

Leonard Russell, RB, 6-2, 210, Long Beach (Calif.) Poly

Tim Ryan, LB, 6-3, 235, Kansas City (Mo.) Rockhurst

Greg Skrepenak, OT/DT, 6-7, 265, Wilkes Barre (Pa.) G.A.R.

Emmitt Smith, RB, 5-10, 190, Pensacola (Fla.) Escambia

Scott Spalding, DT, 6-5, 250, El Toro, Calif.

John Stewart, RB, 6-2, 205, Hinesville (Ga.) Bradwell Institute

Leroy Thompson, DB/RB, 5-11, 205, Knoxville (Tenn.) Austin-East

Jarrod Vance, FB/LB, 6-3, 235, Massillon (Ohio) Washington

Matt Young, DT, 6-5, 265, Baker, La.

When East St. Louis takes the field this year, it will carry a 40-game winning streak and three straight Illinois 6A championship banners. As a sophomore backup tailback in 1984, Kerwin Price (6-0, 200) contributed 802 yards rushing and 16 touchdowns.

As the starting quarterback in '85, Price completed 59 of 106 passes for 1,273 yards and 18 touchdowns. East St. Louis averaged more than 48 points as USA TODAY's No. 1 team.

The Big 10 area is well-represented with Chicago Mendel defensive tackle Charles Collins (6-4, 260) ready to unleash his 4.7 speed on the rest of the Chicago Catholic League, and Jarrod Vance, a 6-3, 235-pound two-way (fullback/linebacker) standout from famed Washington High in Massillon, Ohio.

Big Eight schools will take long looks at tackle Norm Ballantine (6-6, 270) from St. Louis Hazelwood East; running back Leodis Flowers (6-0, 189) of Omaha (Neb.) Central; running back Scott Lockwood (6-1, 200) of Boulder (Colo.) Fairview; and linebacker Tim Ryan (6-3, 235) of Kansas City (Mo.) Rockhurst.

Flowers is the best of what experts predict to be the finest Nebraska prep class in 15 years. He topped the 100-yard mark in every game as a junior, rushing for 1,765 yards (196.1 average) and scoring 140 points, 40 coming in a six-TD assault on Council Bluffs (Iowa) Jefferson.

Lockwood bettered Flowers' average with 1,967 yards in 10 games to lead Colorado in rushing while scoring 19 times. Ryan does it all for Coach Tony Severino. "Last year he played middle linebacker and tight end," says the coach. "He can do just about anything. He plays the power I-back on short-

yardage situations. He's our punter and he once threw an option pass."

Did he say pass? That's Ty Detmer's (6-1, 175) middle name. The San Antonio (Texas) Southwest quarterback completed 58 percent of his attempts for 3,551 yards.

The East has one of the country's top pass defenders in Otis Kearney (6-1, 185), an All-New Jersey strong safety from Toms River South, who used his 4.5 speed to pick off seven last year. Kevin Bayonne (6-1, 205), another superb defensive back, comes from a school (St. Bernard in Playa del Rey, Calif.) more noted for basketball players. Pac-10 recruiters will have their hands full trying to keep Bayonne from returning to his native Baton Rouge, La., where he played as a freshman and sophomore.

A former NFL Punt, Pass & Kick finalist, Jeff Christy (6-2, 225) was the first freshman ever to play varsity football at Freeport, La. In three years he's done it all. Last season he rushed for more than 900 yards, scored 192 points on 24 touchdowns, five field goals and 33 extra-point kicks. (In addition to playing fullback and linebacker, he also punted.) College recruiters see him at linebacker or nose guard.

Rounding out the talent parade are defensive tackle Matt McCall (6-8, 285) from Lufkin, Texas; Greg Skrepenak (6-7, 265), a two-way tackle from Wilkes Barre (Pa.) G.A.R.; and defensive tackle Scott Spalding (6-5, 250) of El Toro, Calif.

Last but not least are a couple of California running backs: Leonard Russell (6-2, 210) from perennial powerhouse Long Beach Poly and George Hemingway (6-1, 200) of Colton.

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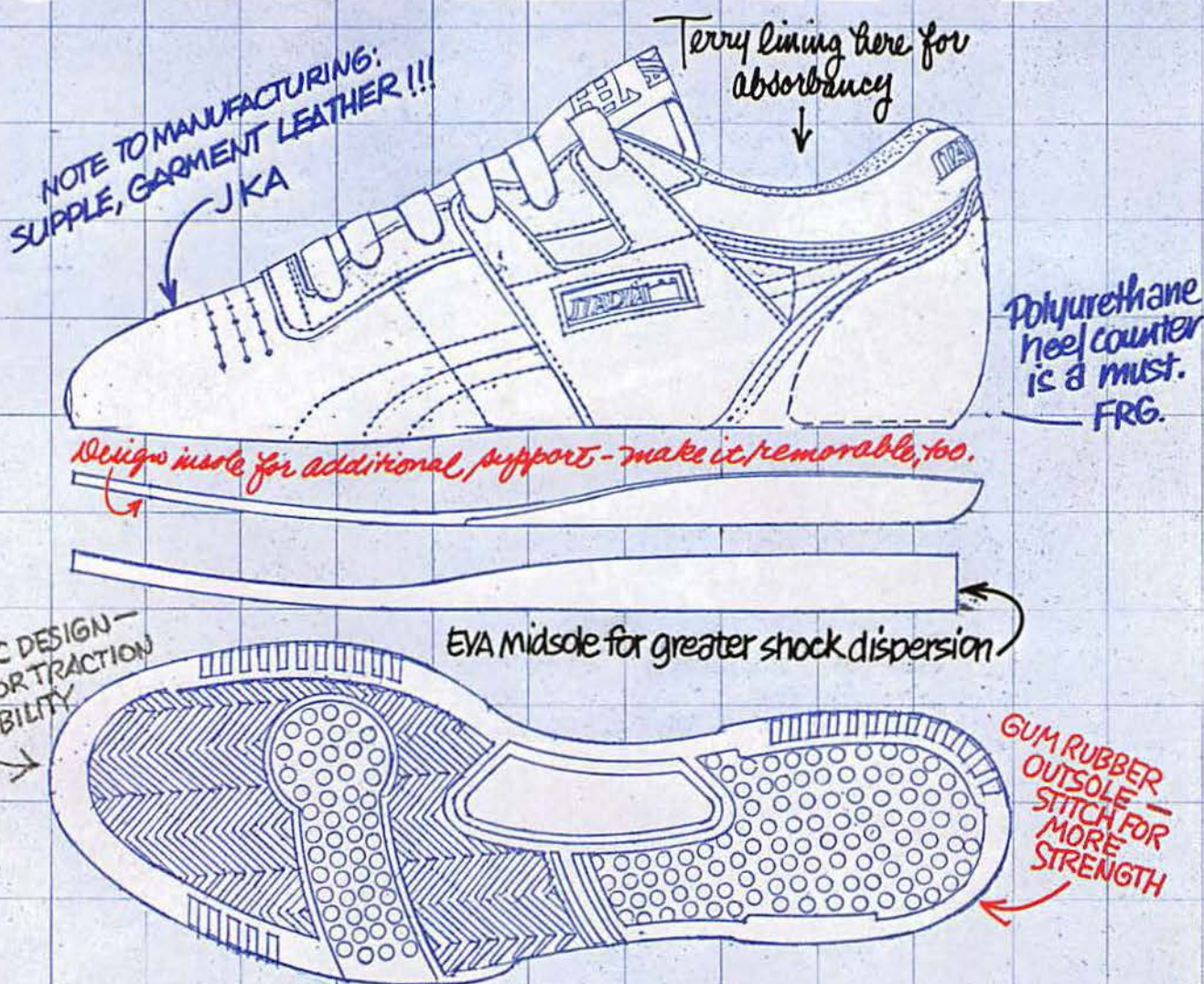
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No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Cl.	Hometown
93	Adler, John	DL	6-3 220	Fr.	Dallas, TX
85	Allen, Kirk*	LB	6-0 205	Jr.	Wichita, KS
9	Anderson, Wes	WR	5-8 155	So.	Wichita, KS
28	Armogost, Dave*	P	6-0 198	Sr.	Wichita, KS
15	Badciong, Chris*	DB	6-1 170	Jr.	Green Bay, WI
58	Barilla, Richard	LB	6-0 200	So.	Lehigh, PA
29	Bell, Wayne	DB	6-2 185	So.	St. Louis, MO
30	Cooper, Randall	DB	6-2 205	Jr.	Atlanta, GA
96	Duckens, Mark*	DT	6-4 265	Jr.	Wichita, KS
62	Duplisse, Tony	DT	6-4 230	Jr.	Okla. City, OK
60	Feather, David	OL	6-4 240	Fr.	Wichita, KS
11	Fewin, Broc*	FL	6-0 164	Sr.	Hesston, KS
27	Fleeman, Brad	PK	5-9 170	So.	Wichita, KS
27	Gaines, Freddie	RB	5-9 174	Sr.	Stroud, OK
68	Giddens, Tracy	OL	6-4 245	So.	Cimarron, KS
34	Gilbert, Dan	FL	6-1 176	Sr.	Cedar Vale, KS
18	Gilbert, Tony	RB	6-2 197	Jr.	Atlanta, GA
99	Green, Terry	LB	6-2 213	Sr.	Wabasso, FL
49	Hanel, John	LB	6-1 210	Fr.	Omaha, NE
74	Harlin, Dave	OL	6-4 255	Jr.	Independence, KS
41	Harvey, Wayne	DB	5-11 184	Jr.	Kansas City, MO
83	Hawkins, Eddie	TE	6-2 198	Sr.	Okeene, OK
10	Johnson, Emanuel	DB	5-10 150	Jr.	Winston-Salem, NC
31	Johnson, Robert	DB	6-3 170	Sr.	Wichita, KS
8	Kauffman, David	FL	6-0 170	Sr.	Hesston, KS
3	Kruse, David	QB	6-5 195	So.	Yorkville, IL
77	Ledy, Scott*	OL	6-4 250	Sr.	Herington, KS
56	Maxwell, Doug	NG	6-2 228	Sr.	Wichita, KS
4	McDonald, Brian*	QB	5-11 179	Sr.	St. Louis, MO
53	McHaney, Myles	LB	6-3 240	Fr.	Detroit, MI
33	Mehl, David	LB	6-0 200	So.	Sulphur, OK
86	Miles, Joe	TE	6-3 208	Sr.	Birmingham, AL
91	Mitchell, Morris*	DT	6-4 252	Sr.	Kansas City, MO
61	Nance, Bryan	OL	6-4 250	Fr.	Washington, DC
80	Owens, Jack*	TE	6-4 225	Sr.	Carson, CA
98	Page, Rick	DL	6-6 220	Fr.	Bartlesville, OK
35	Perry, Mark	RB	6-0 180	Fr.	Omaha, NE
87	Platz, Doug	DL	6-5 220	So.	Lawrence, KS
64	Pratte, John*	OL	6-5 250	Sr.	Little Rock, AR

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Cl.	Hometown
45	Rainge, Ken	DB	6-0 175	Fr.	Aurora, CO
73	Robbins, Kevin	DL	6-5 285	Fr.	Washington, DC
72	Robinson, Phil	OL	6-2 292	Sr.	Hays, KS
98	Sanders, Terrence	DT	6-6 276	So.	Detroit, MI
	Schertz, Bryan	OL	6-4 250	Fr.	Omaha, NE
65	Shramek, Tim	OL	6-4 250	Jr.	San Diego, CA
54	Smith, Alan	LB	6-4 210	So.	Farmers Branch, TX
26	Smith, Valasco*	RB	5-7 181	Sr.	Tallahassee, FL
41	Stonebraker, Ken	FS	6-1 200	Sr.	Ellsworth, KS
19	Sublet, Reginald	CB	6-3 176	Sr.	Dallas, TX
24	Thomas, Chris	FB	6-2 225	Fr.	Irvine, CA
76	Traverson, Tony	DT	6-4 222	Sr.	Denver, CO
2	Troupe, Guy	CB	5-9 176	So.	Tulsa, OK
36	Walker, Charles	LB	5-11 209	Sr.	Okmulgee, OK
82	Walker, Gary	TE	6-4 220	So.	Dallas, TX
14	Wasson, Brent	DB	6-3 195	So.	Andover, KS
92	Wessell, Todd	LB	6-1 195	So.	Wichita, KS
40	Westfield, Derrick*	LB	6-1 215	So.	Fort Wayne, IN
59	Wiedenkeller, Kurt*	LB	6-0 220	So.	Overland Park, KS
25	Wilson, Jose*	RB	5-11 195	Sr.	Atlanta, GA

*Denotes Returning Starter: Offense (6); Defense (7); Kickers (1).

QUICK FACTS

1985 Record: 3-8-0; 2-3-0 5th MVC.
Head Coach: Ron Chismar (Wichita St. record: 5-17-0; Overall record: 5-17-0). Kent State '61.
Offensive Coordinator: Ron Chismar.
Defensive Coordinator: Fayne Henson, SW Okla. St. '61.
Offense: Multiple pro set.
Defense: "50."
All-Star Candidates: QB-Brian McDonald, RB-Valasco Smith, LB-Kirk Allen, DT-Mark Duckens, LB-Derrick Westfield.

1986 SIGNEES

Name	Pos.	Ht.-Wt.	Hometown
Boxley, Sam	DL	6-0 261	Memphis, TN
Brady, Jim	DB	5-11 195	Phoenix, AZ
Buster, Tony	TE	6-4 215	Madison, KS
Elmore, Smiley	RB	5-10 190	Tulsa, OK
Foltz, Roger	OL	6-5 242	Princeton, KS
Franklin, Terry	WR	5-11 175	Indianapolis, IN
Gillespie, Jeff	QB	6-3 195	Omaha, NE
Gilmore, Ted	DB	5-11 175	Wichita, KS
Gilstrap, Eric	RB	5-11 190	Dallas, TX
Ginavan, Steve	WR	5-11 170	Emporia, KS
Gould, Ron	DB	5-9 181	Tucson, AZ
Hardy, Anthony	WR	5-10 170	Laurel, MS
Holt, Chris	LB	5-11 197	Riverside, CA
Hughes, Scott	OL	6-2 232	Camarillo, CA
Jackson, Sjohn	DB	6-1 180	San Diego, CA
Keller, Jeff	LB	6-0 205	Dodge City, KS
Manning, Tony	DL	6-1 252	Richardson, TX
Mendenhall, Jarod	QB	6-3 195	Enid, OK
Norling, John	OL	6-3 253	Phoenix, AZ
Oglesby, Robert	WR	5-8 165	Detroit, MI
Panther, David	OL	6-3 247	Stillwell, OK
Russell, Dan	WR	6-1 181	Simi, CA
Smith, David	RB	6-1 210	Dallas, TX
Storm, Jim	LB	5-11 224	Glendale, AZ
Truitt, Jody	TE-DL	6-4 225	Dewey, OK
Wahlmeier, Stan	FB	6-2 194	Norton, KS

SHOCKER RECORDS

MOST YARDS RUSHING

Game: 217 Eric Denson vs. West Texas St., 1983
 Season: 1017 Eric Denson, 1983
 Career: 2811 Eric Denson, 1982-1985

MOST YARDS PASSING

Game: 405 John Eckman vs. Colorado St., 1966
 Season: 2329 John Eckman, 1966
 Career: 4544 Prince McJunkins, 1979-82

MOST PASSES CAUGHT

Game: 16 Glenn Meltzer vs. Colorado St., 1966
 Season: 91 Glenn Meltzer, 1966
 Career: 124 Glenn Meltzer, 1966-68

Longest Run: 94 Herb Eddington vs. Bradley, 1950
 Longest Pass: 83 Tom Owen to Ed Plopa vs. Trinity, 1972

Information provided by Casey Scott, Sports Information Director.

1985 ALL-AMERICA

CONSENSUS

Offense

WR	David Williams*
WR	Tim McGee
TE	Willie Smith*
T	Jim Dombrowski*
T	Brian Jozwiak
G	Jeff Zimmerman
G	Jeff Bregel
C	Peter Anderson
QB	Chuck Long*
RB	Bo Jackson*
RB	Lorenzo White
PK	John Lee*

Illinois
Tennessee
Miami (Fla.)
Virginia
West Virginia
Florida
USC
Georgia
Iowa
Auburn
Michigan State
UCLA

* Unanimous

Defense

DL	Tony Casillas	Oklahoma
DL	Tim Green*	Syracuse
DL	Leslie O'Neal*	Oklahoma State
DL	Mike Ruth	Boston College
LB	Brian Bosworth	Oklahoma
LB	Cornelius Bennett	Alabama
LB	Larry Station	Iowa
DB	Brad Cochran	Michigan
DB	Allan Durden	Arizona
DB	David Fulcher*	Arizona State
DB	Scott Thomas	Air Force
P	Barry Helton	Colorado

ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA

Selected by the College Sports Information Directors of America.
 A 3.2 grade point average is needed for consideration.

Offense

WR	Michael Lanese	political science	Ohio St.
WR	Tom Stenglein	economics	Colgate
TE	*Ron Duncan	biology/chemistry	Ball St.
T	Kevin Reilly	biology/pre-med	Holy Cross
T	Clay Miller	economics	Michigan
G	Mark Fatkin	computer science	West Kentucky
G	Mark Hartmeier	economics/business	UCLA
C	Ken Pietrowiak	business	Kentucky
QB	Kevin Anthony	economics	North Carolina
RB	Jeff McKinney	operations mgmt.	West. Illinois
RB	Brian Jager	chemistry	Furman
PK	Andy Weiler	sports medicine	New Mexico St.

* indicates 4.0 grade point average

Defense

English	Syracuse
business finance	USC
veterinary medicine	Cornell
pre-professional	Notre Dame
mechanical eng.	Northeastern
pre-business	Iowa
human biology	Stanford
pre-law	Penn State
mechanical eng.	Michigan St.
philosophy/pre-med	Texas A&M
mass communications	Boston Univ.
marketing mgmt.	Kansas St.

Major College Coaching Changes

	Head Coach	Former Head Coach
Bowling Green	Howard Ankney (Arizona ass't)	Denny Stolz
Holy Cross	Mark Duffner (Holy Cross ass't)	Rick Carter
Kansas	Bob Valesente (Kansas ass't)	Mike Gottfried
Kansas State	Lee Moon (interim)	Jim Dickey
Kansas State	Stan Parrish (Marshall h.c.)	Lee Moon (interim)
Memphis State	Charlie Bailey (Florida ass't)	Rey Dempsey
Minnesota	John Gutekunst (Minnesota ass't)	Lou Holtz
Mississippi State	Rockey Felker (Alabama ass't)	Emory Bellard
Nevada-Las Vegas	Wayne Nunnely (Nevada-Las Vegas ass't)	Harvey Hyde
New Mexico State	Mike Knoll (Miami ass't)	Fred Zechman
North Carolina State	Dick Sheridan (Furman h.c.)	Tom Reed
Northwestern	Francis Peay (interim)	Dennis Green
Notre Dame	Lou Holtz (Minnesota h.c.)	Gerry Faust
Pittsburgh	Mike Gottfried (Kansas h.c.)	Foge Fazio
Rice	Jerry Berndt (Pennsylvania h.c.)	Watson Brown
San Diego State	Denny Stolz (Bowling Green h.c.)	Doug Scovil
Southwestern Louisiana	Nelson Stokley (Clemson ass't)	Sam Robertson
Texas-El Paso	Bob Stull (Massachusetts h.c.)	Bill Yung
Texas Tech	David McWilliams (Texas ass't)	Jerry Moore
Utah State	Chuck Shelton (Drake h.c.)	Chris Pella
Vanderbilt	Watson Brown (Rice h.c.)	George MacIntyre
Wisconsin	Unannounced at publication date.	Dave McClain
Wyoming	Dennis Erickson (Idaho h.c.)	Al Kincaid

Bowls

1985-86 SCORES

ORANGE	Oklahoma 25, Penn State 10
SUGAR	Tennessee 35, Miami 7
ROSE	UCLA 45, Iowa 28
COTTON	Texas A&M 36, Auburn 16
FIESTA	Michigan 27, Nebraska 23
ALL-AMERICAN	Georgia Tech 17, Michigan State 14
BLUEBONNET	Air Force Academy 24, Texas 16
PEACH	Army 31, Illinois 29
GATOR	Florida State 34, Oklahoma State 23
FREEDOM	Washington 20, Colorado 17
ALOHA	Alabama 24, Southern California 3
SUN	Georgia 13, Arizona 13
FLORIDA CITRUS	Ohio State 10, Brigham Young 7
LIBERTY	Baylor 21, Louisiana State 7
HOLIDAY	Arkansas 18, Arizona State 17
INDEPENDENCE	Minnesota 20, Clemson 13
CHERRY	Maryland 35, Syracuse 18
CALIFORNIA	Fresno State 51, Bowling Green State 7

GAME HIGHS

INDIVIDUAL	
Yards rushing	Eric Ball, UCLA (Rose) 22-227
Yards passing	Jack Trudeau, Illinois (Peach) 38-55-2-3TD-401
Passes caught	Ronnie Harmon, Iowa (Rose) 11-102
Total offense	Jack Trudeau, Illinois (Peach) 407
Field goals	Tim Lashar, Oklahoma (Orange) 4
Longest run	Norman Jefferson, LSU (Liberty) 79*
Points	Eric Ball, UCLA (Rose) 24
* Punt return	
TEAM	
Yards rushing	Nebraska (Fiesta) 304
Yards passing	Illinois (Peach) 401
Total offense	Florida State (Gator) 569
Total plays	Baylor (Liberty) 91
Rushing defense	Tennessee (Sugar) 32
Passing defense	Texas (Bluebonnet) 5**
Total defense	Baylor (Liberty) 192
Most points	Fresno State (California) 51

**Air Force threw only five passes and completed one. Washington allowed 44 yards on 10 passes and two completions against Colorado in the Freedom Bowl.

1986-87 GAMES

Dec. 13	California Bowl	8:00 p.m.	Fresno, CA	Dec. 31	All-American Bowl	3:00 p.m.	Birmingham, AL
Dec. 20	Independence Bowl	8:00 p.m.	Shreveport, LA	Dec. 31	Bluebonnet Bowl	3:00 p.m.	Houston, TX
Dec. 23	Hall of Fame Bowl	8:00 p.m.	Tampa, FL	Jan. 1	Florida Citrus Bowl	12:00 p.m.	Orlando, FL
Dec. 27	Gator Bowl	1:30 p.m.	Jacksonville, FL	Jan. 1	Cotton Bowl	1:30 p.m.	Dallas, TX
Dec. 27	Aloha Bowl	8:00 p.m.	Honolulu, HI	Jan. 1	Fiesta Bowl	1:30 p.m.	Tempe, AZ
Dec. 29	Cherry Bowl	8:00 p.m.	Pontiac, MI	Jan. 1	Rose Bowl	5:00 p.m.	Pasadena, CA
Dec. 29	Liberty Bowl	8:00 p.m.	Memphis, TN	Jan. 1	Sugar Bowl	8:00 p.m.	New Orleans, LA
Dec. 30	Freedom Bowl	8:00 p.m.	Anaheim, CA	Jan. 1	Orange Bowl	8:30 p.m.	Miami, FL
Dec. 30	Holiday Bowl	9:00 p.m.	San Diego, CA	TBA	Sun Bowl	TBA	El Paso, TX
Dec. 31	Peach Bowl	2:30 p.m.	Atlanta, GA				

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TWENTY QUESTIONS

Athlon's Trivia Quiz

1. What were Notre Dame halfback Jack Chevigny's famous words after his touchdown to tie the score in the second half of the 1928 Army game?
2. Only one player in history won the Heisman Trophy and was Most Valuable Player in both the Rose Bowl and the Super Bowl. Who was he?
3. Who was the only man to quarterback his team to the Rose Bowl, the Grey Cup (the Canadian Football League title game) and the Super Bowl?
4. What team was the last to complete a regular season undefeated, untied and unscored upon, and in what year?
5. Name the famous American author whose father played on two perfect-record Army teams and still holds the record for the longest field goal by a Cadet?
6. Walter Camp, originator of All-America selections in 1889, chose his first player west of the Mississippi in 1915. Who and from what school was he?
7. What school holds the record for the most consecutive home-crowd sellouts?
8. In the 1954 Cotton Bowl, an Alabama player jumped off the bench to tackle Rice's Dicky Maegle, who was on his way to a 95-yard touchdown run (the referee awarded it). Name that tackler.
9. What player for what team went 60 minutes in each of three straight bowl games and in what years?
10. What school has graduated the most Division I-A Coach of the Year honorees?
11. What two games drew the largest crowds in history, where and by whom were they played, and how many attended each game?
12. What was the highest score in college football history?
13. Three of Fordham's Seven Blocks of Granite weighed less than 190. Who were they?
14. Who was the Southeastern Conference's first Heisman Trophy winner?
15. Who was "The Noblest Trojan of Them All"?
16. What team played in the first and the last NCAA regular season games of 1985?
17. From 1903 to 1915, football was dropped from the annual Tournament of Roses pageant. What sport was featured instead?
18. Who was the only player to win the Heisman Trophy for two consecutive years?
19. Who was the "Wheaton Ice Man" and why was he so called?
20. What was the greatest turnabout from one season to the next in football history?

MATCH THE PLAYERS WITH THEIR NICKNAMES

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|---------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. One-Play | (a.) Edgar Jones |
| 2. Pudge | (b.) Austin McCarty |
| 3. Choo-Choo | (c.) George Cafego |
| 4. Special Delivery | (d.) Charlie Justice |
| 5. Showboat | (e.) Elroy Hirsch |
| 6. Cactus Face | (f.) Arnold Boykin |
| 7. Bad News | (g.) Johnny O'Brien |
| 8. Five-Yard | (h.) Byron White |
| 9. Crazy Legs | (i.) William Heffelfinger |
| 10. Whizzer | (j.) Gilford Duggan |

FANTASTIC FEATS

- Superfan Giles Pellerin, 78, of Pasadena, California, has seen 631 consecutive Southern California games, home and away, since the start of the 1926 season.
- Grambling Coach Eddie Robinson now holds the record for most college victories: 327.
- Earl Harvey of North Carolina Central is the first freshman in NCAA history to pass for 3,000 yards. In 10 games in 1985, he completed 188 of 392 for 3,190 yards and 22 touchdowns.
- Iowa's Hayden Fry is the only man to win Coach of the Year honors in three conferences (Southwest, Missouri Valley and Big Ten) and coach in seven different bowl games (Sun, Cotton, Rose, Bluebonnet, Peach, Gator and Freedom).
- In 1951, Mississippi's Arnold Boykin scored seven touchdowns against Mississippi State — still an NCAA record.
- In his first 18 years as a coach, Gil Dobie compiled a record of 113-5-3 (.946) including 11 perfect records among 14 undefeated seasons.

TRIVIA ANSWERS: (1.) "That's one for the Gipper!" The Irish upset the Cadets 12-6 with a late fourth quarter TD. (2.) Jim Plunkett of Stanford and the Los Angeles Raiders. (3.) Joe Kapp of California, the Minnesota Vikings and the British Columbia Lions. (4.) Tennessee in 1939. The Vols were defeated by Southern California 14-0 in the Rose Bowl. (5.) Gore Vidal. His father, Eugene, played for Army in 1918 and 1919 and dropped a 52-yard field goal against Notre Dame. (6.) Bert Baston of Minnesota. (7.) Nebraska; 143 since 1962. (8.) Tommy Lewis. (9.) Bob Reynolds, Stanford tackle, in the '34, '35 and '36 Rose Bowl games. (10.) Miami of Ohio, Rod Blaik, Army, 1948; Paul Dietzel, LSU, 1958; Ara Parseghian, Notre Dame, 1964; John Pont, Indiana, 1967; Bo Schembechler, Michigan, 1969. (11.) Notre Dame vs. USC in 1927 and Notre Dame vs. Navy in 1928; 120,000 at Soldier Field, Chicago. (12.) Georgia Tech beat Cumberland 222-0 in 1916. (13.) Nat Pierce (5-8, 195), John Druze (6-0, 197) and Vince Lombardi (5-11, 198). (14.) Frank Sinkwich of Georgia in 1942. (15.) Marley Drury of USC. (16.) BYU, against Boston College in the Kickoff Classic on August 29 and at Hawaii on December 7. (17.) Chariot racing. In 1913, a race between an ostrich and a camel was the featured event. (18.) Archie Griffin of Ohio State. (19.) Illinois' Red Grange delivered ice in his hometown of Wheaton, Ill. (20.) Tulane, 0-6-1 and outscored 142-0 in 1899, went 5-0-0 in 1900 and outscored opponents 105-0. **NAMES:** (1.) (g) 2. (i) 3. (d) 4. (a) 5. (f) 6. (j) 7. (c) 8. (b) 9. (e) 10. (h).

1985 NCAA TEAM LEADERS

TOTAL OFFENSE

	G	Pts.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG
Brigham Young	13	1035	6502	6.3	57	500.2
Nebraska	11	841	5197	6.2	46	472.5
New Mexico	11	912	5165	5.7	37	469.5
Iowa	11	815	5106	6.3	52	464.2
Fresno State	11	858	5079	5.9	50	461.7
Miami (Fla.)	11	828	5076	6.1	46	461.5
Washington State	11	836	4851	5.8	41	441.0
San Diego State	12	827	5242	6.3	39	436.8
Purdue	11	822	4801	5.8	36	436.5
Oklahoma	11	860	4697	5.5	42	427.0

TOTAL DEFENSE

	G	Pts.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG
Oklahoma	11	650	2128	3.3	9	193.5
Michigan	11	689	2790	4.0	5	253.6
Toledo	11	763	2880	3.8	17	261.8
Central Michigan	10	672	2658	4.0	16	265.8
Iowa	11	755	3044	4.0	16	276.7
Nebraska	11	765	3070	4.0	16	279.1
UCLA	11	733	3100	4.2	20	281.8
Texas A&M	11	765	3101	4.1	19	281.9
Florida	11	726	3111	4.3	19	282.8
Southern Miss.	11	722	3169	4.4	18	288.1

NET PUNTING

	Punts	Avg.	Ret.	Yds.	Net Avg.
Colorado	52	46.0	20	123	43.6
Auburn	57	45.8	16	164	42.9
Nevada-Las Vegas	66	42.3	25	79	41.1
Texas	59	44.3	31	217	40.7
Air Force	54	46.4	29	318	40.6
Ohio State	42	42.5	15	90	40.3
Arizona	59	40.4	19	32	39.9
Florida State	50	43.1	24	161	39.9
Nebraska	48	41.7	14	88	39.9
Mississippi	82	44.2	49	355	39.8

SCORING OFFENSE

	G	Pts.	Avg.
Fresno State	11	430	39.1
Iowa	11	412	37.5
Air Force	12	446	37.2
Miami (Fla.)	11	399	36.3
Nebraska	11	398	36.2
Utah	12	405	33.7
Brigham Young	13	435	33.5
Florida State	11	368	33.5
Army	11	365	33.2
Bowling Green	11	348	31.6

SCORING DEFENSE

	G	Pts.	Avg.
Michigan	11	75	6.8
Oklahoma	11	93	8.5
LSU	11	113	10.3
Georgia Tech	11	118	10.7
Penn State	11	128	11.6
Arkansas	11	129	11.7
Tennessee	11	133	12.1
Arizona	11	133	12.1
Nebraska	11	136	12.4
Iowa	11	142	12.9

PUNT RETURNS

	G	No.	Yds.	TD	Avg.
Utah	12	20	414	2	20.7
Boston College	12	31	511	1	16.5
Syracuse	11	27	419	3	15.5
Texas Tech	11	36	469	0	13.0
Arkansas	11	44	544	1	12.4
Army	11	24	276	0	11.5
Cal.State-Fullerton	11	28	318	1	11.4
Kansas State	11	22	246	0	11.2
Michigan	11	34	375	2	11.0
Southern Miss.	11	45	476	0	10.6

RUSHING OFFENSE

	G	Car.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG
Nebraska	11	697	4117	5.9	40	374.3
Army	11	699	3700	5.3	43	336.4
Oklahoma	11	749	3694	4.9	35	335.8
Auburn	11	620	3438	5.5	36	312.5
Tulsa	11	627	3371	5.4	27	306.5
Georgia	11	584	3249	5.6	30	295.4
Air Force	12	688	3519	5.1	42	293.2
Arkansas	11	685	2922	4.3	29	265.6
Colorado	11	647	2858	4.4	23	259.8
SMU	11	599	2730	4.6	27	248.2

RUSHING DEFENSE

	G	Car.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG
UCLA	11	370	773	2.1	11	70.3
Oklahoma	11	405	988	2.4	4	89.8
Georgia	11	440	1095	2.5	9	99.5
Syracuse	11	430	1099	2.6	8	99.9
Iowa	11	434	1117	2.6	8	101.5
Michigan	11	385	1135	2.9	2	103.2
Pittsburgh	11	445	1136	2.6	13	103.3
LSU	11	388	1178	3.0	6	107.1
Arizona	11	434	1196	2.8	12	108.7
Air Force	12	466	1307	2.8	8	108.9

KICKOFF RETURNS

	G	No.	Yds.	TD	Avg.
Air Force	12	17	459	1	27.0
Nebraska	11	24	633	1	26.4
Cal. State-Fullerton	11	48	1199	3	25.0
South Carolina	11	35	834	1	23.8
Georgia Tech	11	23	539	1	23.4
SW Louisiana	11	44	1030	2	23.4
Texas Tech	11	28	651	0	23.2
East Carolina	11	38	883	0	23.2
Fresno State	11	24	547	0	22.8
Penn State	11	25	569	0	22.8

PASSING OFFENSE

	G	Att.	Cmp.	Int.	Pct.	Yds.	Att.	TD	YPG
Brigham Young	13	560	366	24	65.4	4608	8.2	32	354.5
Purdue	11	471	292	13	62.0	3760	8.0	23	341.8
Miami (Fla.)	11	368	227	16	61.7	3501	9.5	24	318.3
Iowa	11	382	247	15	64.7	3292	8.6	29	299.3
Long Beach State	12	456	323	18	70.8	3575	7.8	19	297.9
New Mexico	11	395	194	24	49.1	3245	8.2	12	295.0
San Diego State	12	437	269	21	61.6	3447	7.9	24	287.2
Illinois	11	462	290	17	62.8	2992	6.5	16	272.0
Boston College	12	455	249	28	54.7	3230	7.1	13	269.2
Utah	12	449	253	23	56.3	3199	7.1	20	266.6

Yds./

TD

PASSING DEFENSE

	G	Att.	Cmp.	Int.	Pct.	Yds.	Att.	TD	YPG
Oklahoma	11	245	107	18	43.7	1140	4.7	5	103.6
Texas Tech	11	184	87	9	47.3	1204	6.5	6	109.5
Baylor	11	221	96	14	43.4	1289	5.8	7	117.2
Texas A&M	11	256	106	16	41.4	1461	5.7	4	132.8
SMU	11	242	116	11	47.9	1480	6.1	11	134.5
Oklahoma State	11	268	125	20	46.6	1512	5.6	7	137.5
Central Michigan	10	233	128	14	54.9	1377	5.9	2	137.7
Western Michigan	11	263	141	15	53.6	1520	5.8	7	138.2
Toledo	11	301	144	17	47.8	1523	5.1	6	138.5
Kansas State	11	227	114	13	50.2	1557	6.9	6	141.5

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PASSING EFFICIENCY

(Min. 15 att. per game)	Cl.	G	Att.	Cmp.	Pct.	Int.	Pct.	Yds.	Yds./Att.	TD	Pct.	Rating
Jim Harbaugh, Michigan	Jr.	11	212	139	65.57	6	2.83	1913	9.02	18	8.49	163.7
Kerwin Bell, Florida	So.	11	288	180	62.50	8	2.78	2687	9.33	21	7.29	159.4
Chuck Long, Iowa	Sr.	11	351	231	65.81	15	4.27	2978	8.48	26	7.41	153.0
Jim Karsatos, Ohio State	Jr.	11	254	158	62.20	8	3.15	2115	8.33	19	7.48	150.5
Mike Shula, Alabama	Jr.	11	229	138	60.26	8	3.49	2009	8.77	16	6.99	150.0
Vinny Testaverde, Miami (Fla.)	Jr.	11	352	216	61.36	15	4.26	3238	9.20	21	5.97	149.8
Robbie Bosco, Brigham Young	Sr.	13	511	338	66.14	24	4.70	4273	8.36	30	5.87	146.4
Kevin Sweeney, Fresno State	Jr.	11	295	177	60.00	7	2.37	2604	8.83	14	4.75	145.1
Jim Everett, Purdue	Sr.	11	450	285	63.33	11	2.44	3651	8.11	23	5.11	143.5
Doug Gaynor, Long Beach State	Sr.	12	452	321	71.02	18	3.98	3563	7.88	19	4.20	143.1

PUNTING

(Min. 3.6 per game)	Cl.	No.	Avg.
Mark Simon, Air Force	Jr.	53	47.3
Barry Helton, Colorado	So.	52	46.0
Steve Kidd, Rice	Jr.	55	45.9
Lewis Colbert, Auburn	Sr.	57	45.8
Bill Smith, Mississippi	Jr.	79	45.3
John Teltschik, Texas	Sr.	58	45.2
Chris Mohr, Alabama	Fr.	44	45.1
Buzzy Sawyer, Baylor	Sr.	52	44.8
Ray Criswell, Florida	Sr.	55	44.7
Greg Montgomery, Michigan State	So.	69	44.7

RUSHING

	Cl.	G	Car.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG
Lorenzo White, Michigan State	So.	11	386	1908	4.9	17	173.5
Paul Palmer, Temple	Jr.	9	279	1516	5.4	9	168.4
Bo Jackson, Auburn	Sr.	11	278	1786	6.4	17	162.4
Thurman Thomas, Oklahoma State	So.	11	302	1553	5.1	15	141.2
George Swann, Miami (Ohio)	Jr.	11	309	1511	4.9	12	137.4
Barry Word, Virginia	Sr.	10	207	1224	5.9	6	122.4
Napoleon McCallum, Navy	Sr.	11	287	1327	4.6	14	120.6
Reggie Dupard, SMU	Sr.	11	235	1278	5.4	14	116.2
Doug DuBose, Nebraska	Jr.	10	203	1161	5.7	8	116.1
Steve Bartalo, Colorado State	Jr.	12	338	1368	4.0	12	114.0

FIELD GOALS

	Cl.	G	FGA	FG	Pct.	FGPG
John Diettrich, Ball State	Sr.	11	29	25	.862	2.27
Carlos Reveiz, Tennessee	Jr.	11	28	24	.857	2.18
Max Zendejas, Arizona	Sr.	11	29	22	.759	2.00
John Lee, UCLA	Sr.	11	24	21	.875	1.91
Jeff Jaeger, Washington	Jr.	11	24	21	.875	1.91
Massimo Manca, Penn State	Sr.	11	26	21	.808	1.91
Jeff Ward, Texas	Jr.	11	24	19	.792	1.73
Joe Worley, Kentucky	So.	11	28	19	.679	1.73
Derek Schmidt, Florida State	So.	11	23	18	.783	1.64
Gary Gussman, Miami (Ohio)	So.	11	26	18	.692	1.64

TOTAL OFFENSE

	RUSHING				PASSING			TOTAL OFFENSE			
	Car.	Gain	Loss	Net	Att.	Yds.	Pts.	Yds.	YDPL	TD	YPG
Jim Everett, Purdue	68	212	274	-62	450	3651	518	3589	6.9	24	326.3
Robbie Bosco, Brigham Young	67	177	309	-132	511	4273	578	4141	7.2	32	318.5
Doug Gaynor, Long Beach State	137	482	578	-96	452	3563	589	3467	5.9	25	288.9
Vinny Testaverde, Miami (Fla.)	68	154	312	-158	352	3238	420	3080	7.3	25	280.0
Mike Norseth, Kansas	135	504	285	-219	408	2995	543	3214	5.9	18	267.8
Jack Trudeau, Illinois	69	149	173	-24	446	2938	515	2914	5.7	19	264.9
Larry Egger, Utah	58	79	177	-98	417	2988	475	2890	6.1	21	262.7
Chuck Long, Iowa	40	62	153	-91	351	2978	391	2887	7.4	27	262.5
Don Smith, Mississippi State	190	862	308	554	312	2332	502	2886	5.7	21	262.4
Billy Rucker, New Mexico	164	619	237	382	268	2475	432	2857	6.6	20	259.7

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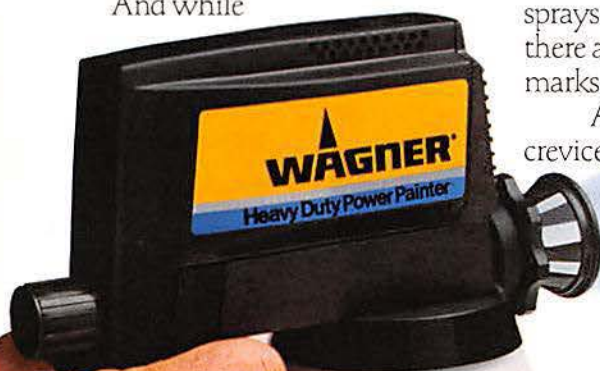
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Michigan Hits Recruiting Pay Dirt

by Gary Rausch

Athlon's Top 100

Name-Position	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown	College
1. Jeff George, qb	6-3	193	Indianapolis, Ind.	Purdue
2. Tony VanZant, rb	6-2	190	Florian, Mo.	Missouri
3. Harvey Williams, rb	6-2	205	Hempstead, Texas	LSU
4. Dan McGwire, fb	6-8	220	Claremont, Calif.	Iowa
5. Mark Carrier, fs	6-2	180	Long Beach, Calif.	USC
6. Al Baker, rb	6-1	225	Cadiz, Ky.	Kentucky
7. Cleveland Coker, ss	6-2	195	Tempe, Ariz.	USC
8. David Fair, rb	6-2	220	Starkville, Miss.	Mississippi St.
9. Pierre Goode, rb/wr	5-10	170	Town Creek, Ala.	Alabama
10. Percy Waddic, wr	6-2	175	Columbus, Texas	Texas A&M
11. Melvin Foster, lb	6-3	220	Houston, Texas	Iowa
12. Billy Ray, qb	6-4	200	Dunwoody, Ga.	Alabama
13. Mike Kohlmoos, ot	6-6	260	Visalia, Calif.	Stanford
14. Dirk Borgognone, pk	6-0	190	Reno, Nev.	Tennessee
15. Anthony Burnett, cb	6-2	180	Lynwood, Calif.	UCLA
16. Eric Turner, ss	6-2	185	Ventura, Calif.	UCLA
17. Greg McKurtz, wr	6-2	195	Brockton, Mass.	Michigan
18. Willie Peguese, lb	6-4	230	Miami, Fla.	Miami (Fla.)
19. Brent Collins, lb	6-2	230	Dandridge, Tenn.	Georgia
20. Rocco Keeton, lb	6-3	235	Gardena, Calif.	UCLA
21. Sean Smith, cb	6-1	195	Opelika, Ala.	Auburn
22. Darius Frazier, lb	6-1	240	Hallandale, Fla.	Miami (Fla.)
23. Art Greathouse, rb	5-11	200	Tempe, Ariz.	Arizona
24. Vance Hammond, dt	6-8	248	Spartanburg, S.C.	Clemson
25. Charles Arbuckle, te	6-4	220	Missouri City, Texas	UCLA
26. Walker Lee Watkins, rb	5-11	180	Fort Lauderdale, Fla.	LSU
27. Ward Manuel, dt	6-6	262	New Orleans, La.	Michigan
28. Cary Conklin, qb	6-4	195	Yakima, Wash.	Washington
29. Dan Kistling, fb	6-3	220	Oregon, Wis.	Wisconsin
30. Ed McCaffrey, te	6-6	220	Allentown, Pa.	Stanford
31. T. J. Osman, dt	6-2	245	North Hills, Pa.	Michigan
32. Tony Stewart, rb	6-1	190	Union, N.J.	Iowa
33. Mike Welch, fs	6-2	180	Sweetwater, Texas	Baylor
34. Lance Pavlas, qb	6-2	195	Tomball, Texas	Texas A&M
35. Zarak Peters, dt	6-4	240	Fl. Bend, Texas	Oklahoma
36. Brian Jones, lb	6-3	215	Lubbock, Texas	UCLA
37. Sal Aunese, qb	6-0	185	Vista, Calif.	Colorado
38. Terry Rodgers, wr	5-10	170	National City, Calif.	Nebraska
39. Mark Fletcher, fs	6-4	200	Acworth, Ga.	Georgia
40. Lionel Sykes, te	6-3	225	St. Louis, Mo.	Illinois
41. Quinn Groves, qb	5-11	175	Duncan, Okla.	Arkansas
42. Alvin Harper, wr	6-4	190	Frostproof, Fla.	Tennessee
43. Demetrius Hill, dt	6-4	232	Meridian, Miss.	SW Louisiana
44. Eric Jonassen, ot	6-6	285	Baltimore, Md.	Penn State
45. Ronald Lewis, wr	6-0	170	Jacksonville, Fla.	Florida State
46. Michael Owens, rb	6-0	190	Carlisle, Pa.	Syracuse
47. Pat O'Morrow, pk	5-10	175	Radford, Va.	Ohio State
48. Brad Quast, lb	6-1	225	Des Plaines, Ill.	Iowa
49. Tim Ryan, ng	6-5	240	San Jose, Calif.	USC
50. Dave Saxon, og	6-3	240	Clifton, N.J.	Penn State
51. Kenny Walker, de	6-3	215	Crane, Texas	Nebraska
52. Tracy Williams, rb	5-11	195	Sarasota, Fla.	Michigan
53. Robert Wynn, de	6-2	242	Watson Chapel, Ark.	Arkansas
54. Torin Dorn, rb	6-0	190	Southfield, Mich.	North Carolina
55. Jeff Pearson, og	6-4	245	Burbank, Ill.	Notre Dame
56. Ed Pedersen, ot	6-8	260	DeKalb, Ill.	Illinois
57. Don Gibson, dt	6-3	250	Orange, Calif.	USC
58. Allen Jefferson, rb	6-2	210	Warren, Mich.	Michigan
59. Tom Bill, qb	6-2	195	Flemington, N.J.	Penn State
60. Michael Ford, wr	6-3	205	San Pedro, Calif.	California
61. Allen Hagaman, ot	6-5	280	Clearwater, Fla.	Duke
62. Alan Ward, pk	6-0	175	Pensacola, Fla.	Alabama
63. Dennis Brown, dt	6-4	260	Long Beach, Calif.	Washington
64. Zack Dumas, qb	6-1	190	Depford, N.J.	Ohio State
65. Mike Miller, ol	6-5	250	Plainfield, Ill.	Iowa
66. Jake Young, og	6-5	225	Midland, Texas	Nebraska
67. Jeff Davidson, ot	6-5	265	Westerville, Ohio	Ohio State
68. Cecil Gray, dt	6-5	275	Norfolk, Va.	North Carolina
69. Willie Stillins, te	6-7	220	Houston, Texas	LSU
70. Bernard Hall, qb	6-3	210	Detroit, Mich.	Oklahoma
71. Tony Boles, rb	6-2	196	Westland, Mich.	Michigan
72. Nigel Clay, og	6-4	250	Fontana, Calif.	Oklahoma
73. Brian Kibbaso, dt	6-4	245	Screamwood, Ill.	Minnesota
74. Kirk Kirkpatrick, lb	6-3	225	Valrico, Fla.	Florida
75. Alfred Rawls, rb	5-11	185	Wilcox, Ga.	Georgia
76. Dennis Wallace, qb/dt	6-3	195	Carrollton, Ga.	Auburn
77. James Francis, de	6-4	225	La Marque, Texas	Florida
78. Octavius Gould, rb	6-1	190	Pemberton, N.J.	Florida
79. David Winsley, rb	5-8	178	Flagstaff, Ariz.	Arizona State
80. James Goode, de	6-4	220	Houston, Texas	Oklahoma
81. Lance Zeno, og	6-4	255	Fountain Valley, Calif.	UCLA
82. Mike Arthur, c	6-4	245	Houston, Texas	Texas A&M
83. Brian Benio, lb	6-4	217	Roswell, Ga.	Georgia
84. Eric Briscoe, cb	6-0	185	Fort Lee, N.J.	Washington
85. Kenny Coleman, lb	6-3	235	Dayton, Ohio	Ohio State
86. Curtis Fessler, lb	6-3	230	Flint, Mich.	Michigan
87. Geoff Japchen, lb	6-3	230	Doylestown, Pa.	Penn State
88. Dean Kirkland, dt	6-3	250	Vancouver, Wash.	Washington
89. Cortez Kistlin, lb	6-1	215	Bluefield, W.Va.	Clemson
90. Bill Peckman, lb	6-4	218	Elizabeth, Pa.	Texas A&M
91. John Peterson, ot	6-4	274	Middletown, Ohio	Ohio State
92. Scott Stark, qb	6-2	185	San Juan Capistrano, Calif.	Stanford
93. Tim Williams, de	6-4	225	Milwaukee, Wis.	Michigan
94. Jeff Dunn, qb	6-1	202	Greensboro, N.C.	Alabama
95. Doug Glaser, ot	6-7	290	Mesquite, Texas	Nebraska
96. Clarence Jones, dt	6-6	240	Central Islip, N.Y.	Maryland
97. Anthony Thompson, rb	6-1	190	Terre Haute, Ind.	Indiana
98. Charles Bell, qb	5-10	170	Waco, Texas	Baylor
99. Mark Keough, de	6-7	245	St. Louis, Mo.	Missouri
100. Terance Miller, rb	6-2	200	Lewisville, Texas	Oklahoma State

It wasn't exactly a bombshell because it had been anticipated, but the adoption of revised academic guidelines for freshmen at Division I-A and I-AA colleges had a definite impact on 1986 recruiting.

The new NCAA legislation, known as Proposal 48, raises scholastic standards for incoming freshmen athletes. It requires them to have a 2.0 grade-point average in a core curriculum of 11 high school subjects as well as a minimum score of 700 (of a possible 1,600) on the Scholastic Aptitude Test or 15 (of 36) on the American College Test.

"Should I take a chance they've got the test scores, or should I pass up prospects who may not make it (i.e., be eligible to play this fall)?"

That was the question recruiters had to ask themselves.

Some coaches, trying to build programs and needing instant help, decided not to sign many players who might have to wait a year to gain eligibility. And some signed none at all whose academic status was questionable and wouldn't become known until later.

Nebraska Coach Tom Osborne called it "the most competitive year I've ever seen in recruiting. You had the same number of schools with the same number of scholarships zeroing in on about two-thirds as many players as last year."

As a new era in recruiting was ushered in, the Big 10 and Pac-10 were co-leaders. Each had five schools among the 20 rated the most successful in recruiting by Max Emlinger of Houston, publisher of the *National High School Football Magazine*.

Emlinger compiled the list after polling 40 college recruiting coordinators. They were asked to rate the players on a 1-to-10 scale in the areas they canvas.

Emlinger didn't judge recruiting classes solely on the merits of a few superstars. He took into account the overall strength of the entire group, including junior college transfers. Thus, several schools that signed only one player in *Athlon's* Top 100 made his most-successful list on that criterion.

"Arizona State had only one Top 100 selection but signed 16 or 17 with ratings of 8.5 or better, and three were JC All-Americans," Emlinger says.

Michigan, which signed eight of the Top 100, had the best class, according to Emlinger's formula. UCLA, with six, was runner-up. Others among the first 10 were, in order, (with number of Top 100 signees): Iowa (5), Southern California (4), Ohio State (5), Alabama (4), California (1), Texas A&M (4), Washington (4) and Oklahoma (4).

In his second 10 were Purdue (1), Florida (2), Missouri (2), Penn State (4), Oklahoma State (1), Illinois (2), Duke (1), LSU (3), Arizona State (1) and Clemson (2).

"The kids with most of the preseason publicity aren't necessarily the highest-rated players," Emlinger says. "There are a lot of names in the Top 100 that people may not recognize—like Brad Quast, Kenny Walker, Lionel Sykes, Ed Pedersen, Don Gibson, Michael Ford and Mike Miller."

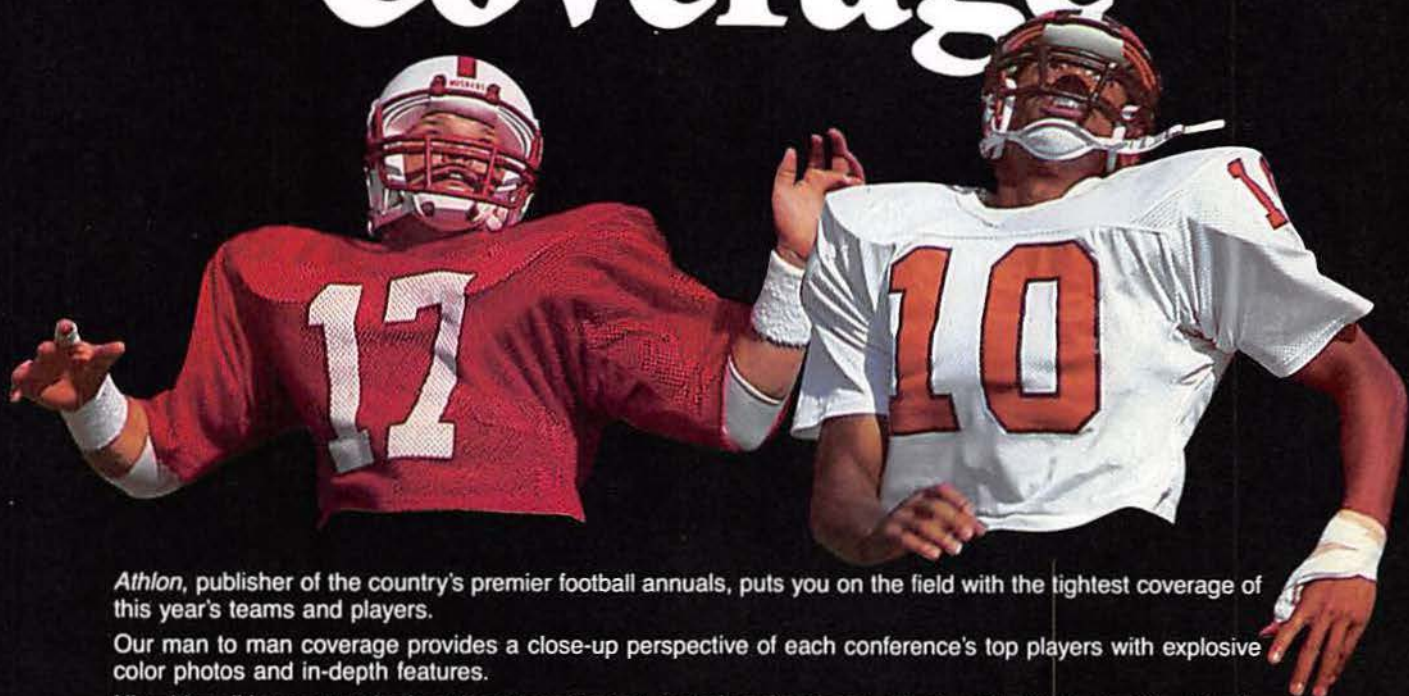
"Quast is a terror. He runs circles around other linebackers in Illinois. Pedersen is phenomenal, and who had heard about him?"

According to Emlinger, the majority of preseason blue chips performed as expected, but a flock of late bloomers came on like a tidal wave.

"Coaches or recruiters going solely off lists eventually will lose their jobs," he says. "Too many preseason 10s turn out to be 7s. And you can't win with 7s."

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STANDINGS

	Conf.	Overall
OKLAHOMA	7-0-0	11-1-0
NEBRASKA	6-1-0	9-3-0
OKLAHOMA STATE	4-3-0	8-4-0
COLORADO	4-3-0	7-5-0
IOWA STATE	3-4-0	5-6-0
KANSAS	2-5-0	6-6-0
KANSAS STATE	1-6-0	1-10-0
MISSOURI	1-6-0	1-10-0

HIGHLIGHTS

Oklahoma topped all the polls as Coach Barry Switzer gained his third national title. An 11-1 record makes it the eighth time in the last nine years the Sooners have won at least 10 games. The Oklahoma pass defense was the best in the nation, allowing 103.6 yards per game. OU's Tony Casillas became the fifth Big Eight player to earn the Lombardi Award. Nebraska led the NCAA in rushing for the third time in four years with 374.3 yards per game. Two backs placed in the nation's top 10: Thurman Thomas of Oklahoma State (1,553 yards) and Nebraska's Doug DuBose (1,161 yards). Nebraska's Dale Klein tied an NCAA record with seven field goals against Missouri. It was tough going in the bowls as the Big Eight went 1-3. Oklahoma beat Penn State in the Orange Bowl, while Colorado, Oklahoma State and Nebraska all met defeat. The league was 19-14 in non-conference play.

TEAM STATISTICS

RUSHING OFFENSE

Team	G	Car.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG
Nebraska	11	697	4117	5.9	40	374.3
Oklahoma	11	749	3694	4.9	35	335.8
Colorado	11	647	2858	4.4	23	259.8
Oklahoma State	11	486	1924	4.0	18	174.9
Missouri	11	489	1753	3.6	12	159.4
Kansas	12	444	1466	3.3	17	122.2
Iowa State	11	467	1061	2.3	8	96.5
Kansas State	11	437	940	2.2	5	85.5

RUSHING DEFENSE

Team	G	Pls.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG
Oklahoma	11	405	988	2.4	4	89.8
Nebraska	11	446	1333	3.0	8	121.2
Colorado	11	462	1688	3.7	12	153.5
Oklahoma State	11	524	1703	3.3	6	154.8
Kansas	12	522	2140	4.1	19	178.3
Iowa State	11	521	2073	4.0	25	188.5
Missouri	11	570	2455	4.3	25	223.2
Kansas State	11	608	2569	4.2	28	233.5

PASSING OFFENSE

Team	G	Att.	Cmp.	Int.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	YPG
Kansas	12	426	235	13	55.2	3057	15	254.7
Missouri	11	335	163	19	48.7	2213	11	201.2
Iowa State	11	359	172	16	47.9	1832	9	166.5
Oklahoma State	11	288	135	14	46.9	1677	7	152.5
Kansas State	11	268	118	16	44.0	1274	6	115.8
Nebraska	11	144	55	11	38.2	1080	6	98.2
Oklahoma	11	111	54	4	48.6	1003	7	91.2
Colorado	11	90	32	7	35.6	467	2	42.5

PASSING DEFENSE

Team	G	Pls.	Cmp.	Int.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	YPG
Oklahoma	11	245	107	18	43.7	1140	5	103.6
Oklahoma State	11	268	125	20	46.6	1512	7	137.5
Kansas State	11	227	114	13	50.2	1557	6	141.5
Colorado	11	292	149	11	51.0	1578	7	143.5
Iowa State	11	297	124	8	41.8	1632	11	148.4
Nebraska	11	319	153	20	48.0	1737	8	157.9
Missouri	11	292	152	7	52.1	2127	14	193.4
Kansas	12	345	184	19	53.3	2482	15	206.8

TOTAL OFFENSE

Team	G	Pls.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG
Nebraska	11	841	5197	6.2	46	472.5
Oklahoma	11	860	4697	5.5	42	427.0
Kansas	12	870	4523	5.2	32	376.9
Missouri	11	824	3966	4.8	23	360.5
Oklahoma State	11	774	3601	4.7	25	327.4
Colorado	11	737	3325	4.5	25	302.3
Iowa State	11	826	2893	3.5	17	263.0
Kansas State	11	705	2214	3.1	11	201.3

TOTAL DEFENSE

Team	G	Pls.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG
Oklahoma	11	650	2128	3.3	9	193.5
Nebraska	11	765	3070	4.0	16	279.1
Oklahoma State	11	792	3215	4.1	13	292.3
Colorado	11	754	3266	4.3	19	296.9
Iowa State	11	818	3705	4.5	36	336.8
Kansas State	11	835	4126	4.9	34	375.1
Kansas	12	867	4622	5.3	34	385.2
Missouri	11	862	4582	5.3	39	416.5

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

PASSING EFFICIENCY

Player and School	Cl.	G	Att.	Cmp.	Cmp. Pct.	Int.	Int. Pct.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG	Rating Points
Jamelle Holieway, Oklahoma	Fr.	9	58	24	41.4	2	3.5	517	8.9	5	57.4	137.8
Mike Norseth, Kansas	Sr.	12	408	227	55.6	11	2.7	2995	7.3	15	249.6	124.0
Travis Turner, Nebraska	Sr.	11	55	21	38.2	3	5.5	418	7.6	3	38.0	109.1
Marlon Adler, Missouri	Sr.	11	183	89	48.6	13	7.1	1258	6.9	7	114.4	104.8
Warren Seitz, Missouri	Sr.	10	144	69	47.9	6	4.2	886	6.2	3	88.6	98.1
Ronnie Williams, Oklahoma State	So.	10	248	117	47.2	11	4.4	1506	6.1	6	150.6	97.3
McCathorn Clayton, Nebraska	So.	11	78	28	35.9	7	9.0	602	7.7	3	54.7	95.5
Alex Espinoza, Iowa State	Jr.	11	330	159	48.2	13	3.9	1704	5.2	8	154.9	91.7
Mark Hatcher, Colorado	So.	10	51	16	31.4	5	9.8	325	6.4	1	32.5	71.8

RUSHING

Player and School	Cl.	G	Car.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG
Thurman Thomas, Okla. St.	So.	11	302	1553	5.1	15	141.2
Doug DuBose, Nebraska	Jr.	10	203	1161	5.7	8	116.1
Darrell Wallace, Missouri	So.	11	226	1120	5.0	5	101.8
Jamelle Holieway, Oklahoma	Fr.	9	161	861	5.3	9	95.7
Tom Rathman, Nebraska	Sr.	11	118	881	7.5	8	80.1
Paul Miles, Nebraska	Sr.	10	102	689	6.8	5	68.9
Lydell Carr, Oklahoma	So.	11	169	735	4.3	4	66.8
Mark Hatcher, Colorado	So.	10	125	539	4.3	10	53.9
Anthony Weatherspoon, Colo.	So.	11	140	569	4.1	2	51.7
Ron Brown, Colorado	Sr.	11	90	524	5.8	2	47.6

RECEIVING

Player and School	Cl.	G	Cl.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	CTPG
Richard Estell, Kansas	Sr.	12	70	1109	15.8	4	5.8
Herbert Johnson, Missouri	Jr.	11	49	806	16.4	4	4.5
Gerald Alphin, Kansas State	Sr.	9	34	524	15.4	3	3.8
Johnny Holloway, Kansas	Jr.	10	32	358	11.2	1	3.2
Jeff Wodka, Iowa State	Sr.	11	35	390	11.1	0	3.2
Hughes Saffren, Iowa State	So.	10	31	433	14.0	4	3.1
Bobby Riley, Oklahoma State	Jr.	11	33	610	18.5	2	3.0
Andrew Jackson, Iowa State	Jr.	10	29	254	8.8	1	2.9
Sandy McGee, Kansas	Sr.	12	33	485	14.7	1	2.7
Willie Vaughn, Kansas	Fr.	12	28	441	15.8	5	2.3

SCORING

Player and School	Cl.	G	TD	PAT	FGs	Pts.	FTPG
Thurman Thomas, Okla. St.	So.	11	16	0	0-0	96	8.7
Tim Lashar, Oklahoma	Jr.	11	0	43	15-21	88	8.0
Dale Klein, Nebraska	Jr.	11	0	38	13-20	77	7.0
Jeff Johnson, Kansas	Jr.	12	0	29	18-26	83	6.9
Mark Hatcher, Colorado	So.	10	10	0	0-0	60	6.0
Jamelle Holieway, Oklahoma	Fr.	9	9	0	0-0	54	6.0
Tom Whelihan, Missouri	So.	11	0	16	16-25	64	5.8

PUNTING

Player and School	Cl.	No.	Yds.	Avg.
Barry Helton, Colorado	So.	52	2392	46.0
Troy Faunce, Kansas State	So.	74	3130	42.3
Dan Wingard, Nebraska	Sr.	46	1932	42.0
Rob Dickerson, Kansas	Jr.	69	2836	41.1
Rich Thompson, Okla. St.	So.	71	2890	40.7
Marlon Adler, Missouri	Sr.	60	2424	40.4
Rick Frank, Iowa State	Jr.	69	2788	40.4
Mike Winchester, Oklahoma	Jr.	56	2234	39.9



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